ALBEMARLE PRESBYTERY MINUTES

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Adjourned Meeting at Henderson, N. C.

Henderson, N. C.
October, 30. 1897. 7:30 P.m.

No quorum

According to adjournment of the Presbytery of Albemarle ordered at Littleton, on the 8th inst.; the Revs. E. Daniel D.D., A. R. Shaw, and Ruling Elders Jno. R. Black, of Henderson Church; & Walter Bullock of Nut=bush Church; met in the Presbyterian Church this place, at 7:30 P.m.
No quorum being present, the meeting was declared adjourned until Monday morning, November 1st at 9:30 o'clock.
This meeting was both opened & closed with prayer.

Monday, Nov. 1st 9:30 A.m.

Quorum present

The Presbytery met according to adjournment as above, and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator, Rev. W. T. Walker.
Present beside the Moderator, the Revs. Daniel, Caldwell & Shaw, with Elders Walter Bullock

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and R. A. Bullock (alternate to J. R. Black, providentially detained).

R. A. Bullock was chosen Clerk.

Pastoral relation dissolved.

Mr. Walter Bullock, commissioner from the Nutbush Church, presented a paper in which that congregation unites with the pastor Rev. W. J. Walker in asking for a dissolution of the pastoral relation.

On motion, the relation was dissolved, after which recess was taken until 10 o'clock.

Candidate J. A. Gilmer enrolled.

After recess — the Rev. A. R. Shaw presented the name of Ruling Elder John A. Gilmer of the Henderson Church with a view to taking him under the care of Presbytery as a candidate for the Gospel Ministry.

Mr. Gilmer was then examined on experimental religion, and his motives in seeking the gospel ministry, and the examination was sustained as satisfactory, and the name of the candidate ordered to be enrolled.

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Ordered — that for the present, the candidate be placed under the care of the Rev. A. R. Shaw, pastor of the Henderson Church.

Mr Shaw installed

The Rev. J. Daniel reported that the committee appointed to install the Rev. A. R. Shaw, pastor of the Henderson Church had performed the duty on Sabbath Evening, Oct. 31st.

This report was accepted, and the committee discharged.

There being no further business the Presbytery adjourned with prayer — to meet during the sessions of Synod at Salisbury, N.C. at the call of the Moderator

The minutes were read & approved,

(Signed) R. A. Bullock
Clerk.

Attest: H. H. Johnston
State's Clerk.

Adjourned Meeting at Salisbury, N.C.

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Opened with prayer -

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Minutes were read & approved & Presbytery adjourned with prayer to meet in Tarboro N.C. as above -

C. K. Wharton, Clerk.

Attest: F. H. Johnston. S.C.

Minutes

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Tarboro, N.C.
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Members present

Ministers. F. H. Johnston D.D.; F. D. Thomas; E. Daniel D.D.; C. N. Wharton; F. W. Farris; Wm. T. Walker; J. B. Morton; Jas. Thomas; E. D. Brown; G. L. Leyburn D.D.; & A. R. Shaw. — 11.

Ruling Elders:

Daniel Reid of Goldsboro Ch.
C. M. McDonald " La Grange "
W. Bullock " Nutbush "
J. M. Monie " Raleigh "
J. J. White " Rocky Mount "
Orren Williams " Tarboro "
Geo. D. Green " Wilson " — 7

Moderator. Rev. Angus R. Shaw was chosen Moderator, and Rev. Wm. T. Walker with Elder W. Bullock were chosen Clerks.

The Presbytery fixed the hours of meeting as follows: Meet daily at 9:30 a.m. continuing until 1 P.M. Recess until 3 P.M. and adjourn at will.

Rev. Mr. Bumpass of the M. E. Church was in=

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troduced to the Presbytery, and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

The Presbytery then adjourned, closing with prayer, to meet to-morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

18th Session 2. Second Day in

Wednesday, April 6th, 9.30 a.m.

The Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with devotional services conducted by the Moderator.

The reading of the minutes of yesterday's session was deferred. The clerk read the minutes of the adjourned meetings at Henderson and Salisbury.

Standing Committees. The following Standing Committees were announced,

1. On Narative to General Assembly, & Synod.
   Rev. E. Daniel & Orren Williams
2. On Minutes of Synod.
   Rev. G. L. Leyburn, & J. M. Monie.
3. Systematic Beneficence (to prepare report)
   Rev. F. D. Thomas & W. T. Allen.

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4. On reports of Sessions on their Duties.
Rev. F. W. Farries & J. J. White.

5. On Sessional Records.
First Committee.
Rev. E. D. Brown, & Messrs Greene & Brown
Second Committee -
Rev. Jas. Thomas, & Messrs. Evans & Reid.

6. On Treasurer's Books & Accounts -
Rev. E. D. Brown, & Messrs Green & Jarvis.

7. On Calls. Supplies & Installations.
Revs. Morton, Leyburn & Payne & Mess Bullock & Manie.

8. Devotional Exercises.
Rev. J. B. Morton & Owen Williams.

Reports from Sessions on all subjects required were called for, & referred to the proper Committees:

The Treasurer's report was read, and with his accounts & vouchers referred to the auditing Committee.

Enrolled — W. T. Allen from the Geneva Ch. and B. D. Evans from Greenville Ch. were enrolled, after hearing Excuses for tardiness.

18th Session. 2. Order of the day.

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It was made the order for 3:30 P.m. today to hear the report on Education; and 3 o'clock P.m. to morrow to hear the report on Sabbath Observance.
It was made the second order of the day to-morrow afternoon to elect Commissioners to the General Assembly.
The hearing of the report of the ad interim Committee on the Overtures of the Assembly was made the second order for this afternoon.

The Committee (Dr. David Chairman) on Westminster Leagues made report of progress, and was continued.

Place of next meeting — Raleigh N.C was chosen as the place of the next meeting by acclamation.

Enrolled — Rev. Dr. C. M. Payne, with C. M. Brown of the Washington Ch. and J. H. Jarvis of the Aurora Ch. were enrolled after hearing excuses for tardiness.

Order of the day — The hearing and discussion of the Committee of Home Missions of the Presbytery were made the third order of the day for to-morrow afternoon.
Recess was taken until after divine worship.

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After divine worship, Presbytery resumes its sitting.

Candidate J.H. Jarris Enrolled

When Rev. D. Johnston asks leave to present the name of James H. Jarris, ruling-Elder of the Aurora Ch. as a Candidate for the Gospel ministry.

As Mr. Jarris is the only member of Session at Aurora Dr Johnston testifies to his character for piety, intelligence & usefulness — after which Presbytery examined Mr. Jarris on experimental religion & motives for seeking the Christian ministry, which Examination having been approved, he was received under the care of the Presbytery & enrolled as a candidate.

Recess was then taken until 3 o'clock P.m.

After recess —

Excused

Rev. A. S. Caldwell was at his request & for reasons communicated by letter, excused from attendance on this meeting.

The Agent of Education (F. H. Johnston) made his report which was received and approved and is as follows: viz:

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Report on Education.

Education & Candidates report.

There are six (6) Candidates at present under the care of the Presbytery.

1. Wm. J. Rogers (Colored) at Stillman Institute since 1893, is doing well; making progress, & maintains a consistent Christian character —

2. Ernest H. Hood, member of Newbern Ch. Student of Davidson College, Junior Class, received in 1895; is decidedly improving in his standing as a Student, & gives very good ground for believing, if his life is spared, he will finish his College course with credit.

3. Thomas D. Johnston, member of Cann Memorial ch. received in 1895, graduate of the Class of '96, Davidson College, has been teaching in the Presbyterian High School, Columbia S.C. for two years. His purpose is to enter Union Seminary next fall.

4 Thos H. Watkins, member of Henderson Ch. received in '97, member of Senior Class; Davidson College, stands high in his class, is useful as a Christian worker in the College, and hopes to enter Union Seminary in the fall.

5. Eugene C. Caldwell, Oxford ch. received in '97, member of Senior Class, Hampden Sidney Coll. Va.

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stands at, or very near head of his Class. Expects to enter Union Seminary in the fall, but for one contingency which if it occur, will postpone his entering the Seminary for one year.

6. John A. Gilmer, member & Elder of Henderson ch. received in '97, is studying theology privately under the direction of Rev. A. R. Shaw his pastor with approval of Presbytery.

I have had letters recently from all these young men also from their teachers whose report is in every way favorable. Money under appropriations allowed by Presbytery has been partially paid, perhaps over one half, in aid of these brethren - The remainder due, will no doubt be remitted to them before the end of their scholastic term

Respectfully Submitted
F.H. Johnston, Agent.

Assembly's Overtures.

The second order of the day was taken up, when the report of the Committee appointed at the last meeting to consider & recommend answers to the overtures sent down to the Presbyteries proposing amendments to the Book of Church Order & report

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to this meeting, was heard. The report was approved and the recommendation that the Presbytery agree to the amendments adopted - and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

Supplies

The Supplies appointed at the last meeting made report. Most of them reported duty performed, others were excused.

Agents chosen for For. Miss. & Publication

Owing to a physical infirmity Rev. Dr. Payne resigned the office of agent of Foreign Missions. The Presbytery accepted his resignation with regret, expressing appreciation of the good work which he had done.

The Rev. Dr. Daniel was then elected agent of Foreign Missions in place of Dr. Payne - and Dr. Daniel resigning, by Presbytery's leave, the agency of Publication, the Rev. Dr. G. L. Leyburn was chosen agent for Publication.

Time of next meeting

Tuesday, September 20th 1898, at 7:30 P.M. was selected as the time for the fall meeting of the Presbytery.

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Sab. School Committee

On motion, the Revs. Shaw & Caldwell, with Ruling Elder J. R. Young were associated with Rev. C. N. Wharton agent of Sabbath Schools, to cooperate with him in exciting greater interest in the Sabbath School Cause throughout the Presbytery.

Excused

Rev. Dr. Johnston was excused from attendance on the Session of Presbytery until 10:30 A.M. to-morrow.

Candidate Jarvis.

It was ordered that Candidate J. H. Jarvis be put under the joint direction of the Agent of Education, and the Home Missions Committee in the prosecution of his preparation for entering the ministry.

It was made the fourth order of the day for to-morrow afternoon to hear the report of the Agent of the Bible Cause.

Presbytery adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9:30 A.M. and was closed with prayer.

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Third Day

Thursday, April 7th. 9:30 A.M.

The Presbytery met according to adjournment of yesterday, and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by the Moderator.

The minutes of yesterday & the day before, were read and approved.

Presbytery decided to hear the report of the Agent of Sabbath Schools in connection with his report on Sabbath Observance.

Excused

Rev. C. M. Payne D.D., and Elders C. M. Brown, and J. H. Jarvis were excused from further attendance after this afternoon's Session.

Rev. A. R. Shaw was, on motion, made a member of the Presbytery's Committee on Home Missions.

Presbytery then heard the reading of the narratives of Sessions.

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Dev. Exercises The Committee on devotional Exercises made a report which was accepted.

Recess taken until after divine worship; After which, the Agent of the Bible Cause made a report, which was received and adopted, and is as follows:

Bible Cause The Agent of Bible Cause would respectfully report that the following Churches have contributed to this Cause the amounts opposite their names - viz:

Newbern $2.00; Washington, $10.00; Raleigh, $25.00; Oxford, $1.00; Cann Memorial, $1.00. Total, 5 Chs. + $39.00.

Last year two Chs. gave $7.00.

Your Agent recommends that we again commend this Cause to our people as worthy of their confidence, and their contributions. And that the Chs. be urged to contribute something, however small the amount, from each one. F. D. Thomas, Agent.

Treasurer's Account The Committee on Treasurer's Accounts made a report which was received and approved, as follows:

The Committee on the Treasurer's Account

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has examined the same, and vouchers, and find them correct. For Treasurer's Report See Appendix. page 28.

E. D. Brown, J. H. Harris, Geo. D. Green. Committee.

For Treasurer's report, see Appendix.

Minutes of Synod The Committee on the Minutes of Synod made a report, which was received and approved. viz:

The Committee on Minutes of Synod of North Carolina report that they have examined the same, and find nothing requiring action on the part of Presbytery; but call attention to the recommendations of Synod found on Pages. 201, 213, 214, and 223.

Commissioners chosen The second order of the day was then taken up to wit, the election of Commissioners to the General Assembly, which resulted as follows:

Ministers: Rev. Jas B. Morton, Principal, and Rev. F. H. Johnston D.D., alternate.

Ruling Elders: Mr. J. M. B. Hunt, Principal, and Mr. John Webb, alternate.

Nominations On motion, the action of the last Fall meeting respecting the nomination of Commissioners to the Gen. Assembly

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(See Records, Vol. I. Page 490.) was rescinded, and the Presbytery ordered a return to the former practise of nominating and electing Commissioners to the Assembly, at the same meeting, according to Rules of the Manual.

Room to be furnished in Seminary

On motion, the Presbytery decided to furnish a suite of rooms in the new Seminary building at Richmond, Va., to be known as the "Room of the Albemarle Presbytery, in memoriam, of the Rev. Robert Burwell D.D." Eighty-five dollars ($85.) the amount required to furnish the suite was pledged by members present.

Sabbath Observance

Recess was taken until 3:30 P.M. after which, the Agent of Sabbath Observance made a report which was received, approved, and the recommendations adopted - and is as follows:

"Every Church in the Presbytery made report as to Sabbath Observance - The report generally is good. Out of 30 Chs. only two (2) Chs. report "not good."

Your Agent recommends the following resolution for adoption - viz:

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1st That Presbytery requests the Ministers to preach often upon the subject.

2d That the Sessions of our Church use all diligence to correct the evil of Sabbath desecration.

C. N. Wharton, Agent.

Sab. Schools report

Rev. C. N. Wharton then presented his report as Agent of Sabbath Schools. This report was received, approved, and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

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Visiting brother

The Rev. N. S. Jones of the Baptist Church was introduced to the Presbytery, and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

The Committees to review the Records of Sessions made their reports respectively. These reports were approved.

Excused

Daniel Reid, & J. J. White, Elders, were excused from further attendance on these Sessions of Presbytery.

Home Missions

The Home Missions Committee made report through the Chairman, Rev. Jno. B. Morton. The report was re-

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=ceived, & the recommendations considered Seriatim and adopted. See Appendix. Page 30.

Instructed The Agent of Education was instructed to allow Can=didate J. H. Jarvis $25.00, in the prosecution of his studies, and to allow him up to $50.00 if necessary and the treasury permit.

The Committee on reports of Sessions on Sessional Duties made a report which was approved.

Excused Mr. Walter Bullock was excused from farther attendance on the Sessions of Presbytery.

Recess was taken until 8 o'clock P. M.

Popular Meeting Home Mission After which, a popular meeting in the interest of the Home Mission work was held. The meeting was presided over by Rev. J. B. Morton Chairman of the Committee, who read from his annual report & made remarks on the work as to its progress & outlook Revs Johnston, Jas. Thomas, and Walker, Evan=gelists of the Presbytery addressed the meeting, and were followed by the Rev. D. Daniel who spoke to

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the Cause. A collection was taken up for Presbyterial Home Missions, amounting to $19.55.

Colored Evangelization The Agent of Colored Evangelization, Rev. M. Walker, made a brief report on that subject, and it was expressed as the sense of this Presbytery that the Independent Colored Pres=byterian Church should be organized as soon as practic=able.

Narrative The Committee on the Narrative made a report which was received and adopted, and ordered to be for=warded to the General Assembly. See appendix, Page 27.

Excused Revs. E. Daniel, & C. M. Wharton, and Elder Monie were excused from farther attendance on the Sessions of Presbytery.

Rev. F. D. Thomas, with Elder Allen were appointed a Committee to audit the books &c of the treasurer of Home Missions.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet to=morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock, and was closed with prayer.

Fourth Day.

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The Presbytery convened at 9:30 o'clock and spent a few minutes in devotional exercises conducted by the Moderator.

The Minutes of yesterday's Session were read and approved.

Systematic Benevolence — The Committee to prepare a report on Systematic Benevolence submitted a report which was received, approved and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly. See Appendix.

Excused — The Rev. F. H. Faries & Elders McDonald and Allen were excused from further attendance on the present Session of the Court.

The Committee (permanent) on Apportionments & Assessments was allowed to retire for one hour in order to complete their report.

Recess was taken until after divine worship — After which, the Committee on Apportionments &c made a report which was approved.

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Excused — Elder Williams of the Tarboro Ch. was excused from further attendance on account of sickness, and Elder Geo. Howard, alternate, was enrolled in his stead.

Order — Ordered that the expenses of the State's Clerk to this meeting be paid out of the Presbyterial Fund.

The State's Clerk presented the Statistical Report as made up for the General Assembly. The report was approved and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

Resolution touching self-app. Evangelists — The following paper was adopted — viz:

Resolved, that the churches of the Presbytery of Albemarle be hereby advised to decline co-operation with self-constituted, unauthorized Evangelists who may enter the bounds of said churches for the purpose of conducting protracted services.

Resolution of thanks — The following resolution was adopted: viz:

Resolved, that the hearty thanks of Presbytery are hereby tendered to the people of the Tarboro Church for their generous & Christian hospitality extended to the members of Presbytery at this time; & the quartette choir for the excellent

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+ beautiful music furnished; also to the Methodist Ch. of Tarboro', for courtesy shown in the tender of its pulpit.

Supplies ordered. The following supplies were ordered between this meeting, and the meeting of Presbytery in September. viz:

Dr Rayne	two visits to	Aurora.
Dr. Daniel.	" "	" Louisburg.
Jas. Thomas	1 "	Enfield.
Wharton	1 "	" + Roanoke Rapids
Fred. Thomas	1 "	"
A. R. Shaw	1 "	Nutbush
Caldwell	1 "	"
Farris	1 "	Warrenton + Tarboro.
Payne	1 "	Littleton + Greenville
Morton	1 "	Nahalah, Falklands + Shiloh.
Walker	1 "	Penny Hill S. Home + Roanoke Rapids
Brown	1 "	Parmele
Daniel	1 "	Grassy Creek.
Johnston	1 "	Enfield.
Leyburn	1 "	Aurora.

The auditing Committee made a report, which

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was approved, as follows. viz:

Audited The Committee appointed to audit the books + accounts of the Chairman of Home Missions Committee beg leave to report that they have examined the same and find that they balance, and there are vouchers for every item. J. D. Thomas, W. T. Allen. Com.

Committee as interim on Ch. Finance + plan of contributions The following paper was adopted. viz:

Resolved, that Presbytery hereby appoints a Committee, consisting of one deacon, one Elder, + one Minister to consider the subject of Church finance, and suggest a plan which can be recommended to the churches of the Presbytery for their adoption; to report at the next regular meeting of the Presbytery: the Committee to consist of Deacon Geo. Allen, Elder, Geo. Howard, and the Rev. Geo. L. Leyburn.

Recess was taken until 3:30 P.M. after which

Summerell's claim Rev. J. B. Morton presented a letter from Rev. J. M. H. Summerell in which he stated that Presbytery still owes him for services rendered as Evangelist On motion, this matter was put into the hands of

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the Chairman of Home Missions to investigate, and report to the Presbytery.

Overture to General Assembly

The following overture to the General Assembly was adopted, viz:

The Presbytery of Albemarle respectfully overtures the General Assembly to instruct the Assembly's Executive Committee to look well into the matter of salaries paid to the Secretaries of Home and Foreign Missions, and to see to it that too large a proportion of the funds raised for these causes be not paid for salaries.

Adjourned meeting at Oxford

Ordered that an adjourned meeting of Presbytery be held in Oxford, N.C. on May 3d next at 3 O'clock P.M.

The minutes were read approved.

Adjournment

Presbytery then adjourned to meet in Oxford as above ordered.

Closed with singing, prayer and benediction by the Moderator.

(Signed) W. T. Walker, Clerk.

Attest: F. H. Johnston. State Clerk.

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Appendix

I. Narrative 1898.

Narative to Assembly + Synod

1. Attendance upon the services of the Sanctuary by members and by others is generally good.

2. Observance of Family Worship is general, but by no means universal.

3. Observance of the Lord's Day by members is good, some visiting + traveling.

4 Training of children + youth in the Home + Sabbath School in the Scriptures + Catechisms of the Church is almost universal.

5. Fidelity of God's people in worshiping the Lord with their substance + in giving to the support + extension of the gospel is commendable in even an unusual degree.

6. With rare exceptions, the chs. have paid their ministers fully + promptly the amounts promised them.

7. Special evidences of spiritual life + growth and activity in the chs. have appeared in many reports.

8. Worldly conformity does not generally prevail among Church members.

9. Nearly all our ministers report some evangelistic work done outside our chs.

10. Nearly all of our chs. are regularly supplied with the ministrations of the Word.

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S. S. Report

Appendix cont.

II Report on Sabbath Schools.

Twenty-three chs. report to have Sabbath Schools. and seven (7) have not. viz: Aurora, Falkland, Louisburg, Nutbush, Shiloh, Strickland, and Warrenton.

Only eleven (11) Sunday Schools contribute to any object other than their own expenses. Those who have so contributed to other causes are, Cann Memorial, Goldsboro, Henderson, Atkinson Memorial, Newbern, Oxford, Raleigh, Rocky Mount, Tarboro, Washington, and Wilson.

Treasurer's Report.

III Report of Treasurer.

General Statement.

Funds on hand Ap. 15 '97 + receipts to date	$1220.29
Funds disbursed to date as per vouchers	984.66
Balance on hand Ap. 1. '98	235.63

I Presbyterial Fund.

Balance in hand Ap. 15. 97.	$119.71	
Receipts from Chs. to date	211.03	
	330.74	
Disbursed to date as per vouchers –		$277.97
Balance in hand Ap. 1. 98		52.77
		330.74

At this date (April 5 '98) this fund is without an

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outstanding claim against it.

II Foreign Missions

To Presbyterial Collection in October	$12.50
By remittance to Nashville as per voucher –	$12.50

III. Education

Receipts from chs. to date	$228.05
By remittance to Memphis	$82.19
Paid Candidates as per vouchers	25.00
Balance	120.86
	228.05

IV Reade Bequest Fund.

In treasury Ap. 15. 97	$649.00
Paid out per order as follows:	
Rev Walker for Grassy Creek ch.	$75.00
Rev. J. Thomas for Strickland ch.	25.00
Rev. Johnston for Cann Memorial ch.	75.00
J. W. Tate for Littleton ch.	75.00
J. H. Bullock for Gurney Meml ch	35.00
Bank of Oxford for Oxford ch debt.	300.00
Bank discount on $2000 –	2.00
	587.00
Balance on hand	62.00
	$649.00

Respectfully Submitted

F. H. Johnston, Treasurer

Appendix. Cont.

IV Home Missions report.

The following groupings of mission fields & appropriations were recommended in the report. See page

1. Elizabeth City field:

J. H. Johnston, Evangelist.	Camm Memorial Ch.	$250.
	Nahalah $50. Roanoke 15. =	65.
	Everett & Pannel 35+65 =	100.
Appropriated by Presbytery & Synod –		300
		$715.

2. Wilson field.

Rev. Jas. Thomas, Evangelist.	Wilson ch.	$400.
	Louisburg –	150.
	Strickland	25.
Appropriated by Presb. Synod — —		175.
		$750.

3. Granville Co. field.

Rev. Wm. T. Walker, Evangelist,	Oak Hill ch.	$150
	Geneva ch.	160.
	Grassy Creek.	90.
	Shiloh –	30.
		430.
Appropriated by Presb. & Synod –		220.
		$650.

4. Kinston field:

Rev. E. D. Brown, Evangelist.	Atkinson Mem'l	$200.

	Falkland ch.	50.
	Dover ch.	72.
Appropriated by Presb. & Synod –		328
		$650.

5. Warrenton field.

Rev. C. N. Wharton, Evangelist.	Warrenton ch.	$300.
	Littleton ch.	150.
	Gray Memorial –	50.
Appropriated by Presb. & Synod –		150
		$650.

6. Rocky Mount.

Rev. F. D. Thomas	Rocky Mount –	$500.
	La Grange –	175.
Appropriated by Presb. & Synod –		100.
		$775.

Presbytery authorized the Committee to apply for $60. for Mrs. Fannie Heines, and $50. for Mrs. J. M. Atkinson from the Relief Fund –

Jno B. Morton, Chairman
Executive Com. of Home Missions
of Albemarle Presbytery.

The Adjourned Meeting at Oxford N.C.

Oxford N.C. May 3. 1898.

Pursuant to adjournment of Albemarle Presbytery, the following members met at 3. P.M. this day, in the Presb. Church - viz: Revs. A. S. Caldwell, & W. T. Walker, with Elder Jno. Webb of Oxford. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Walker last moderator present, & was opened with prayer. No quorum being present, an adjournment was taken until 5 o'clock. Closed with prayer.

5 o'clock. On the reassembling of the Presbytery at this hour the following additional members to those recorded above were found present, viz: Rev. A. R. Shaw, & Elder W. T. Allen of Geneva ch. Constituted with prayer by Rev. A. R. Shaw, moderator -

A request was presented from the Geneva ch. through its Commissioners W. T. Allen & Saml Webb, asking permission to employ Rev. W. T. Walker for one half of his time for this year beginning April 1. 1898. promising to pay him $240. for such time Rev. Mr. Walker signifies his willingness to serve the Church for one half of his time, provided the Presbytery would supplement the salary of the Church to the amount of $60.

The request of the Church was then granted.

The Minutes were read & approved, after which the Presbytery adjourned to meet in Raleigh, N.C. Sept. 20th at 7:30 P.M. Closed with prayer -

Attest: H. H. Johnston. S.C. Signed W. T. Walker, Clerk -

Minutes
Of the Nineteenth Session
Of the Presbytery of Albemarle

Raleigh, N.C. Sept. 20. 1898.
7:30 P.M.

Opened — The Presbytery of Albemarle met according to adjournment, and was opened with a sermon by the Rev. A. R. Shaw, moderator, from I Kings, 20c. 40v.

After the sermon, the Presbytery was constituted with prayer.

Roll — The roll was then called, when the following ministers were enrolled as present - viz: A. R. Shaw; E. Daniel D.D.; G. L. Leyburn D.D.; J. B. Morton, Jas. Thomas; C. N. Wharton; E. D. Brown; and W. T. Walker - 8

absentees — Absent - H. H. Johnston D.D.; F. W. Fanies; C. M. Payne D.D. F. D. Thomas, and A. S. Caldwell. - 5.

The following churches were represented, viz:

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the Raleigh 1st Ch. by Elder A. M. McPheeters, and the Geneva Ch. by Mr. R. Y. Smith. — 2 —

Twenty-Nine Chs. failed to respond.

Moderator — The Rev. Jno. B. Morton was elected Moderator, and the Rev. E. D. Brown & Elder R. Y. Smith were chosen temporary Clerks.

Hours of meeting were fixed as follows:
Meet at 9, a.m. Take recess at 1, P.m. Meet at 3, P.m. and adjourn at 5, each day.

The report of the Agent of Colored Evangelization was put into the hands of the Rev. A. R. Shaw, in case the Agent Rev. W. T. Walker should be called away from the City.

Day fixed — In view of the standing Rule for a popular meeting in the interest of Foreign Missions, it was Resolved, that Wednesday night be fixed as the time for such meeting, when the Agent's report shall be presented, and Rev Dr Leyburn, and the Rev. J. B. Morton, speakers invited by the

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Woman's Missionary Union, shall deliver popular addresses.

Overture — Rev. W. T. Walker offered an overture to the Synod of North Carolina for adoption — which was docketed for future consideration.

Excused — Rev. Dr. C. M. Payne was excused from attendance at this meeting of the Court.

Presbytery then adjourned, with prayer, until to-morrow morning at 9 O'clock.

2d Day — Second Day

Wednesday, Sept. 21, 9. a.m.

The Presbytery met, and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by the Moderator.

The Minutes of last night's Session were read and approved.

Enrolled — The Rev. Dr. Johnston; and Elder J. R. Young of the Henderson Ch. appeared, and were enrolled after

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satisfactory excuse for tardiness.

The State Clerk read the Minutes of the states meeting at Tarboro, and of the adjourned meeting at Oxford.

Standing Committees — The Moderator announced the following Standing Committees, viz:

1. On statistical reports to the Synod — Dr Johnston.
2. On Minutes of the General Assembly — Revs. Leyburn, & Walker
3. On Calls, supplies &c. — Revs. Jas. Thomas & Brown.
4. On Devotional Exercises — Dr E. Daniel, & A. M. McPheeters.

Licentiate Received — A letter of transfer, dismissing Mr. L. C. Vass, licentiate from the Presbytery of Enoree to the care of this Presbytery was presented by him. On motion, Mr. Vass was received, and enrolled as a licentiate under care of this Presbytery.

Order taken for ordination — Mr. Vass applied to the Presbytery for ordination as an Evangelist having the foreign field in view.

Ordered that Thursday night at 8 o'clock Presbytery proceed to ordain Mr. Vass if the way be clear.

The Presbytery then proceeded to the examination of Mr. Vass in open court, and Mr. R. G. Smith

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was appointed on the Standing Committee of Examination in Theology.

L. C. Vass Examined — Mr. Vass was then examined on Experimental Religion &c by the Moderator, which examination was sustained as satisfactory.

Dr Leyburn conducted the candidates' examination in Syst. Theology which was sustained as satisfactory part of trial.

Cor. Member — Rev. Charles Friend of the Presbytery of Montgomery being present, was introduced to the Presbytery, and invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Rev. Dr. Daniel then conducted the examination of Mr. Vass on Church History & Government, and the Sacraments and the several examinations were separately sustained as satisfactory parts of trial.

First Sermon — It was made the order of the day for to-morrow at 11 o'clock to hear a sermon from Mr. Vass, and John 1: 29 v. was assigned him as a text.

Dr. Johnston, Agent of Education submitted a report on the

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Candidates under the care of the Presbytery, recommending appropriations in following sums, from the Educational Fund to two Candidates about to enter Union Seminary, Richmond Va. viz:

Appropriation to Candidates

To Mr. Thos H. Watkins — $50.00

To Mr. Thos D. Johnston — $100.00

The report was received & approved and the recommendation as to appropriations adopted.

Enrolled — Judge Geo. Howard, representing the Tarboro Ch. appeared & was enrolled after excuse given for tardiness.

Publication — D. Leyburn, Agent of Publication, made a report on that subject, which was received and approved.

Col'd Evang. Rev. W. T. Walker, Agent of the Colored Evangelistic Work, made a report which was received, and discussion of the report was made the first order of the day for this afternoon.

Report. Postponed.

Education — The Agent of Education moved that it be the second order for this afternoon to consider the subject of Ministerial Education in connexion with the reading

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ing of the Circular letter on the same subject, from Rev J. H. Dumpkin, Assembly's Secretary of Education for the Ministry.

Candidate W. J. Rogers — Mr. Wm J. Rogers, a colored man, and candidate under care of the Presbytery & student for several years of the Stillman Inst. Tuskaloosa, Ala. applies for licensure at this meeting.

Order for his licensure — Ordered, that Mr. Rogers be examined with a view to his licensure at this meeting, and that the examination be made the first order to-morrow morning.

Orphans Home — Mr. J. R. Young, Agent of Orphans Home, made his report which was received & the appended resolutions adopted — viz:

Resolved, 1. We commend the Home & its noble work to the liberal support of the churches & individuals within our bounds.

2. We urge upon our churches & their members, that their contributions be regular & systematic, as best calculated to give a satisfactory support to the "fatherless ones"

3. That to best carry out this suggestion, the Agent be authorized to present to the Churches, Societies,

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and individuals, the privilege of undertaking the yearly support of an individual orphan ($60.00) per annum by churches, groups of churches, & wealthy members.

Ch. finances — It was made the first order of the day to-morrow afternoon to hear the report of the *ad interim* Committee on Church finances.

Recess taken till 3. P.M. — at which hour the Presbytery resumed its session.

Davidson College — The orders of the day, both first & second were postponed — and Rev. C. N. Wharton Prof. of Davidson College reported attendance at the last meeting of the Board, and gave some account of the condition of the College. The annual letter of the Board to the Presbyteries controlling the institution was also read. Mr. Wharton's report was received & approved.

Commissioner to G.A. report — Rev. J. B. Morton Commissioner to the General Assembly made report of attendance last May in New Orleans. The report was received & diligence commended. Mr. J. M. B. Hunt, Elder Commissioner, reported by

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letter his attendance. Report received and diligence of Mr. Hunt was commended.

Miss. Supplies report. — The Supplies appointed at the last meeting who were present reported, some having performed duty, and others excused for good reasons for non-performance of duty.

Treasurer. — The Treasurer made a Statement of the present condition of the Presbyterial & Educational Funds which was received and approved.

Laid over to next meeting. — The postponed order of the day, viz: report of the Agent of Colored Evangelization was taken up. After considerable discussion the report was laid over for final disposal at the Spring meeting.

Education — The 2d order of the day was taken up, viz: the subject of Ministerial Education. The letter of the Assembly's Secretary was read, and the general subject discussed — without any specific action taken.

Committee on Nominations — Rev. C. N. Wharton & Elder J. R. Young were appointed a Committee to bring in nominations for the offic

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of State Clerk and Treasurer, and the various Agencies and trusteeships &c of the Presbytery, which become vacant by Standing Rule at the end of every three years.

Excused Rev. F. W. Farris was excused from attendance on this meeting for sufficient reasons rendered by letter.

Recess was taken until 8 P.m. at which hour Presbytery convened, and held a public meeting as heretofore

Popular Meeting. ordered (See Page 34) in the interest of Home & Foreign Missions. After devotional exercises and the reading of reports Rev. J. B. Murton, & Rev. Dr. Geo. L. Leyburn addressed the Presbytery & the audience.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock. being closed with prayer

3d Day

Third Day.

Thursday, Sept. 22. 9. a.m.

Presbytery met according to adjournment, and was opened with devotional exercises by the Moderator.

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The Minutes of yesterday's Session were read and approved.

Visiting Brethren & Cor. members. Rev. Dr. W. C. Norman of the Methodist Church, was introduced to the Presbytery, and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Rev. A. J. McKelway of the Presbytery of Fayetteville was introduced and invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Enrolled Rev. F. D. Thomas appeared, and after reasons given for late attendance, was enrolled.

Petitions for ch. organization Petitions signed by Presbyterians living at Roanoke Rapids & at Weldon asking to be organized into a Church & supplied with regular services &c. were presented & read, & afterwards referred to the Committee of Home Missions.

For. Missions The report of the Agent of Foreign Missions was received & approved.

The Presbytery then proceeded to examine candidate Wm. J. Rogers with view to his licensure.

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Candidate Rogers — Testimonials in favor of the Candidate were read from Revs. A. C. Phillips & O. B. Wilson of the Faculty at Stillman Institute; verbal statements to the same purpose were made by Rev. F. D. Thomas in charge of the Church at LaGrange N.C. of which Mr. Rogers is a member.

Examined — The Moderator examined him on Experimental religion & his motives for seeking the Gospel Ministry, & the examination was sustained as part of trial.

On motion, since Mr. Rogers applies for licensure as an extraordinary case (Book of Ch. Order, Par. 134) admitted by Presbytery for reasons deemed sufficient, such as — want of opportunity for the usual academic training, conversion & the call to preach coming to him in middle age, having a family to support, &c — the Presbytery resolved to omit the examinations on subjects belonging to the Literary & Scientific Course required, as a rule, of all candidates; and on the Hebrew & Greek Languages.

The Candidate was examined carefully as to his knowledge of Theology, Ch. History, Church Government & the Sacraments, upon which subjects the examin-

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-ations were sustained as satisfactory.

Mr. Vass' Sermon — The hour having arrived, Presbytery heard a Sermon by Mr. L. C. Vass on John 1:29. which was sustained as satisfactory part of trial.

Exams. reported — The Committee to examine Candidates in the Literary & Scientific Course, reported having examined Mr. Vass & recommended that the examination be approved. Adopted.

The Committee on Languages (Latin Greek & Hebrew) made similar report, recommending approval, & the report was adopted.

The examinations of Mr. Vass were then approved as a whole.

Order for Ordination of Mr. Vass — The following order was taken for the ordination of the Candidate — viz:

Time. 8 o'clock this evening in the Church.

The Moderator to preside, put the usual questions & offer the ordaining prayer.

Rev. Dr. Johnston to preach a sermon — and Rev. F. D. Thomas to deliver a charge to the Evan-

-gelist.

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Recess taken until 3. P.M. at which hour the Presbytery resumed its session.

Cor. Member — Rev. W. P. McCorkle of the Presbytery of Orange was introduced to the Presbytery & invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Mr. McCorkle then addressed the Presbytery in the interests of the "Presbyterian Quarterly."

Visiting Brethren — Revs. B. W. Spillman, & W. C. Barrett, of the Baptist Church were introduced & invited to seats as visiting brethren.

Church Finance Cmte's report heard & re-committed — Presbytery then according to previous order made heard the report of the ad interim Committee on Church Finance and a Plan for Contributions to be recommended for use by our Churches — Mr. Geo. Allen, Chairman. The report was received and discussed at some length, when, in motion, it was recommitted to the same Committee, with the addition of Mr. Thos. F. Brown of Washington Ch. as a member — to report at the next meeting.

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Excused — Mr. J. R. Young of the Henderson Ch. was excused from farther attendance on the Presbytery, and Mr. J. A. Gilmer his alternate, being present, was allowed to take his place as member of the Presbytery.

Ordination of Mr. Vass as Evangelist & Fer. field — Recess taken until 8 P.M. at which hour the Presbytery resumed its sitting, and proceeded to the ordination of Mr. Lachlan C. Vass as Evangelist. Rev. Jno B. Morton presided as Moderator. Rev. S. H. Johnston D.D. preached a sermon from Acts 9: 15 v. after which the moderator rehearsed the steps taken leading up to this ordaining service, & explaining its nature; the Constitutional questions required were then put to the Candidate, having been answered by him in the affirmative; he, L. C. Vass, was set apart to the full work of the Gospel Ministry as an Evangelist, with prayer & the laying on of the hands of the Presbytery, according to the Apostolic Example — and the right hand of fellowship extended to him.

Charge given — A suitable Charge was then delivered to the newly-ordained brother by the Rev. Fred. D. Thomas.

The name of Rev. L. C. Vass was then enrolled as a member.

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Trial Sermon — It was ordered that Mr. Rogers preach a Sermon to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock from an appointed text Viz: 1 Cor. 9:24.

Offices, Agents &c elected for next 3 yrs. — The Committee to make nominations of officers, agents committees, trustees &c of the Presbytery for the next three years, reported, & their report adopted — All the present incumbents were re-elected — except that Rev. E. D. Brown was chosen Agent of Sabbath Observance in place of Rev. C. N. Wharton, and the Rev. James Thomas was elected trustee of Davidson College in stead of Rev. Dr. Johnston.

Report on Home Missions — The Chairman of the Home Missions Committee made his semi-annual report which was received & approved, and the following recommendations adopted:

1. That Rev. A. S. Caldwell give one Sabbath per month to Roanoke Rapids & to Weldon a point asking for a supply & only six miles distant from the former

Supplies ordered. — 2. That the following Missionary Supplies ad interim be appointed.

Dr. Daniel one Sabbath at Grassy Creek —
E. D. Brown " " " Parmele —

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C. N. Wharton, one Sabbath at Nutbush —

Supplies. — A. S. Caldwell, " " " "
W. T. Walker, " " " Roanoke Rapids & Enfield.
J. B. Morton, " " " Louisburg, or Oxford.
Dr. Leyburn, " " " Aurora —
F. W. Farries, " " " Dover.
Jas. Thomas, " " " Enfield.
F. D. Thomas, " " " Enfield.
A. R. Shaw, " " " Nutbush.
Dr. Johnston, " " " discretion.

Candidate Jno. A. Gilmer — It was made the first order of the day for tomorrow morning to examine Candidate Jno. A. Gilmer with a view to licensure —

Presbytery then adjourned, being closed with prayer, until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

4th Day — Fourth Day —
Friday, Sept. 23. 9 A. M.

The Presbytery met according to adjournment & was opened with devotional services conducted by the Moderator —

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The Minutes of yesterday's Session were read and approved.

Excused — Rev. Dr. Leyburn was excused from farther attendance after 11 o'clock today.

The order of the day, examination of Mr. Gilmer, was postponed until after the trial Sermon of Mr. Rogers.

Minutes of Genl Assembly — The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly reported, recommending action on certain overtures of the Assembly as follows:

Overtures docketed to next meeting. — Overture No. 1. Substituting "in" for "into" in the baptismal formula — Recommend that it be answered in the negative —

Overture No. 2 — amending the Constitution so as to allow a ruling elder to deliver the charge to the people — Recommend that it be answered in the affirmative —

These recommendations were, on motion, docketed for action at the Spring Meeting —

Digest — Another recommendation directing that the State Clerk purchase a copy of the Digest, as

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recommended by the General Assembly, was adopted. (See Min. G.A. p. 214)

Sermon by Candidate Rogers. — The hour having arrived Presbytery heard the trial Sermon of Mr. Rogers. This part of trial was sustained as satisfactory.

Licensed as extraordinary case. — The candidate's examinations were then sustained as a whole; and, on motion, the Presbytery proceeded to license him after the manner provided for in the Form of Government.

Dismissed to Florida Presbytery. — At the brother's request, Presbytery granted him a letter of dismission to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Florida.

Candidate Gilmer Examined. — Candidate J. A. Gilmer was then at his own request examined on his Literary Course, on Languages, on Theology, and on the Sacraments; the examinations on each of these subjects being sustained as satisfactory parts of trial

By request of Mr. Geo. Allen, Chairman of the ad interim Committee on Ch. Finance, Elder Geo. Howard was made Chairman of the Committee.

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Statistical Report to Synod

The Stated Clerk was authorized to prepare and forward the Statistical reports for the Synod of North Carolina.

The Committee on the Westminster Leagues made a report which was received, & the Committee continued.

The Stated Clerk was requested to write to the Trustees of Presbytery, & request them to send up a report at the Spring meeting.

Place of next meeting

Rocky Mount was selected as the place; and Tuesday April 4th 1899. at 7:30 P.M. as the time of the next stated meeting.

Petition granted to organize in or Roanoke Rapids

The Home Missions Committee submitted the following supplemental report which was adopted, viz:

The Committee recommends that Rev. Wm. T. Walker, Rev. A. S. Caldwell, and Elder J. R. Black be directed to go to Roanoke Rapids at their earliest convenience and organize a church if the way be clear; and that the Rev. A. S. Caldwell shall supply the new organization with monthly services until the

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next meeting of the Presbytery.

Rev. Caldwell to supply Weldon & Roanoke Rapids monthly

And that with reference to the Community at Weldon the Rev. A. S. Caldwell shall give to them an afternoon or evening service monthly until the next meeting of Presbytery, receiving as pecuniary remuneration such sums as may be paid by these Communities.

Paper adopted & forwarded to Assembly's Committee on For. Miss.

The following paper to be forwarded to the Assembly's Committee of Foreign Missions was adopted:

It gives the Presbytery of Albemarle pleasure to testify to the eminent qualifications in every respect of the Rev. L. C. Vass for service in the foreign field.

The possibility of his being assigned to work in Africa suggests to this Presbytery the propriety of giving to the Committee of Foreign Missions, as the sense of this body that the command of our Lord to preach the gospel to all the world, is to be obeyed, largely, in our part by our looking out, equipping, and sending forth consecrated African Christians to this particular work.

Overture to Gen. Assembly

Rev. S. Daniel presented the following paper which after discussion was adopted: viz:

Whereas, there is reason for doubt as to the legality

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Overture

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of the action taken on yesterday permitting an alter=
=nate delegate to appear & take his seat instead of the prin=
=cipal who had already been sitting for nearly two days
Whereas, in such cases, the doubt must extend to all
the action taken by the body wherein this delegate last
seated is necessary to a quorum.
Whereas, the reason for such an interchange of delegates
should be made matter of record;
Therefore, this Presbytery hereby records that in the case
under consideration, said reason was the danger that
the Presbytery, by reason of possibly having no elder, pres=
=ent might be left without a quorum.
That the Presbytery hereby overtures the General Assembly
as follows: Is it in accordance with our Constitution
that alternates may take the place of principals, or
vice-versâ, after the Court has been constituted, and
one or the other of these has been enrolled as a member
of it, and taken part in its deliberations?

Excused

Rev. C. N. Wharton was granted leave of absence
after this morning's Session.

Recess taken until 3 P.M. at which hour the

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Presbytery resumed its Session.

It was resolved that Presbytery do recede from business
this P.M. at 5 o'clock.

"N. C. Pres=
=byterian"
Commended

The following paper respecting the "North Carolina Pres=
=byterian" was adopted: viz:
Resolved, that Albemarle Presbytery regards the "North
Carolina Presbyterian" as invaluable to the Presbytery
and to our churches, especially in its relation to our
work of Home Missions. The Presbytery expresses its
gratification at the able management of this paper,
and renewedly commends it to the members of our
Churches.

Appropriation
for Mr. Gilmer

By recommendation of the Agent of Education, an ap=
=propriation of $100.00 in aid of Mr. Gilmer in the pur=
=chase of Theol. Seminary
=chase of his theological studies, was made.
for the current scholastic year.

Paper adopted
to go before Synod's
Com. on Home
Mission

The following paper offered by Rev. Mr. Walker was
adopted and directed to be placed in the hands of
Rev. Jno B. Morton to be laid by him before the Syn=

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Synod's Home Miss.

=odical Committee of Home Missions: viz:

1. We recommend that two or three more general Evangel=ists be put into the field, and that the labors of the gen=eral Evangelists be confined to the weak & destitute fields over the Synod.

2 We recommend that as little of the Synod's funds be used in supplementing the salaries of pastors & local evangelists as possible, & that her funds be used more exclusively on General Evangelists — thus leaving each Presbytery to look after the salaries of her own Pastors & Evangelists —

3. That the Presbytery advises the members of the Syn=odical Committee of Home Missions who represent this Presbytery to bring before the Synodical Committee the question as to the advisability of abolishing the office of Synodical Superintendent and substituting for it a management by a Committee with its chair=man, somewhat as is done in the Synod of Virginia.

5 P.M. Recess taken until after Divine Service to-night.

After divine service at 8 o'clock this evening the Moderator called the Presbytery to order —

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The following paper in regard to Peace Institute was a=dopted, viz:

Peace Institute

The Presbytery of Albemarle would most earnest=ly & cordially commend Peace Institute to the favora=ble consideration & patronage of the people of North Carolina. The home-like influence; high moral tone; thorough instruction; gentle, tho firm discipline; benefit derived from location at the Capitol of the State; all combine this one of the leading institutions in our Southern coun=try; indeed, we doubt whether any female school in the South offers superior advantages at the same cost of tu=ition. Inasmuch as superior educational advantages demand greater expenditure in the equipment & main=tenance of a school, we express the confident belief that the rates at Peace Institute, are in most reasonable proportion to the superior culture it offers.

The following resolution of thanks was adopted by a rising vote. viz:

Thanks!

The Presbytery hereby expresses its hearty thanks to the good people of the 1st Church, Raleigh, who have extended to the Presbytery such generous hospitality. Especially would we include in this resolution our

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appreciation of the delightful reception tendered us on Wednesday night by the Westminster League, and of the pleasant entertainment we enjoyed on Thursday night at Peace Institute.

We invoke the blessing of our God upon all the people of the Church, and we pray that the meeting of the Presbytery here may prove a mutual blessing.

Minutes approved + adjournment

The Minutes of today's session were then read and approved, after which the Presbytery adjourned to meet in Rocky Mount, April 4th 1899. at 7:30 P.m. Closed with prayer by the Moderator. and the apostolic benediction –

(Signed) E. D. Brown
Temp. Clerk –

Attest: H. H. Johnston
Stated Clerk.

Examined & approved as far as written.
Gastonia, Oct. 28, 1898.
R. F. Campbell
Moderator.

Pro re nata meeting
at Rocky Mount N. C.
January 10 1899.

The Presbytery of Albemarle met in Rocky Mount at 3 o'clock P.m. this day, under Call of the Moderator, the Rev. J. B. Morton; and in accordance with the requirements of the Book of Church Order, for the following purposes: viz:

1. To receive and act upon the resignation of the Rev. H. D. Thomas of the pastoral Charge of the Rocky Mount Congregation.

2. To change the place of the Spring meeting of the Presbytery.

3. To consider the resignation of the Agent of the Bible Cause – the Rev. H. D. Thomas.

A quorum having been found in attendance, viz: Revs. J. B. Morton, Mod.; F. W. Farries, H. D. Thomas, Ja's. Thomas, and Ruling Elder W. S. Clary of Rocky Mount; the Presbytery was constituted by prayer, after which the Rev. H. D. Thomas offered his resignation of the pastoral Charge of the Rocky Mount Church with his reason therefor, viz: a call to take Charge of the Presbyterian Church

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at Elberton Ga. Athens Presbytery. This call was laid before the Presbytery and placed in the hands of Mr. Thomas — the Rocky Mount Church having been heard from through its Commissioners, acquiescing in the pastor's request to be released from his charge.

Whereupon, the pastoral relation was dissolved to take effect the 15th of the month.

A letter of dismission to the Presbytery of Athens was granted to Mr. Thomas; and the Rev. J. B. Morton was appointed to write and to send a letter, expressive of the regret of the Presbytery at his departure.

On motion, the Moderator was authorized to designate the place of the next meeting of Presbytery, after Conference with the Session of the Rocky Mount Church.

On motion, the resignation of Rev. F. D. Thomas as Agent of the Bible Cause for the Presbytery was accepted, and the appointment of a Successor was deferred until the Spring Meeting. The Presb'y then adjourned with prayer.

(Signed) J. B. Morton, Mod.
Jas. Thomas. Clerk.

Attest: F. H. Johnston S.C.

Minutes
Of the Twentieth Session Of the Presbytery of Albemarle.

Goldsboro N.C.
Tuesday, April 4. 1899

20th Session 1st Day. The Albemarle Presbytery met according to adjournment at 7:30 P.M. this day, in the Presbyterian Church of this place, and was Constituted with prayer by the Moderator, the Rev. Jno. B. Morton. On motion, for reason, the opening Sermon was postponed till 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Roll The roll was called, and the following ministers and ruling elders were found present, viz: F. H. Johnston D.D.; E. Daniel, D.D.; C. N. Wharton, F. W. Farries, W. T. Walker, C. M. Payne, D.D.; J. B. Morton, Jas. Thomas, E. D. Brown, A. S. Caldwell, & G. L. Leyburn D.D. — Ministers; — 11. With Messrs. Jas. H. Farris, Aurora Ch.; E. B. Hicklen, Greenville, J. A. Gilmer, Henderson; I. H. Foust, Goldsboro (2) Jas. Dunwiddie, (2) Raleigh; H. E. Shaw (2) Altamahaw

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Memorial; H. M. McDonald (2) La Grange; + W. S. Clary Rocky Mount (2) Ruling Elders, — 8. + R. A. Patterson (2) Littleton — 9
Ministers Absent: Revs. A. R. Shaw, + L. C. Vass, — 2
Churches not represented — 23.

Moderator + Clerks. The Rev. James Thomas was elected moderator, and the Rev. E. D. Brown + Elder J. A. Gilmer were chosen temporary Clerks.

Cor. Member The Rev. C. G. Vardell of the Fayetteville Presbytery being present, was introduced to the Presbytery, and invited to sit as a Corresponding member,

Hours The following hours of meeting were adopted; viz:
Meet at 9 a.m. each day; take recess at 1 P.m.
Meet at 3. P.m. — adjourning at will —
Meet at 8. P.m. — adjourning at will, —

adjourn The Presbytery then adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning —
Closed with prayer,

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Second Day.

Wednesday, April 5
9. a.m.

The Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with devotional exercises by the moderator.

Standing Committees The following standing Committees were appointed: viz:

1. On the Narative to Gen. Assembly + Synod — C. M. Payne and J. H. Jarvis,
2. On Minutes of Synod — E. Daniel and J. A. Gilmer.
3. Syst. Benevolence — H. T. Walker, and H. E. Shaw.
4 Sessional Duties Reports — G. L. Leyburn and J. Dinwiddie
5. Sessional Records: 1st Com. C. A. Wharton, H. M. McDonald.
2d Com. A. S. Caldwell, D. Forest.
6. Treasurer's Book and Accounts — G. L. Leyburn, and W. S. Clary
7. Devotional Exercises, F. W. Harris,

Mormons. On motion, Rev. Drs. Daniel + Payne were appointed to consider and report on certain communications to this body relative to the Mormon question — the report to be made to this meeting,
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Excused — Elder, E. B. Ficklen was excused from farther atten=dance on this meeting after this morning's session.

Gilmer Examined — On motion, the Presbytery proceeded to the examina=tion of Candidate Jno. A. Gilmer on Church History and Church Government which was ap=proved as part of trial.

Enrolled — H. E. Shaw, Kinston; H. M. McDonald, La Grange; and J. I. Foust, Goldsboro, ruling Elder, appeared and were enrolled.

Bible Agent — The Rev. A. S. Caldwell was elected agent of the Bible Cause in the Presbytery, vice J. D. Thomas.

Report on Candidates — The Rev. D. Johnston, Agent of Education read his report, which was received and approved — The following is the substance of the report, viz:

"There are six (6) candidates now under the care of the Presbytery - viz:

Wood — 1. E. H. Wood - who on account of his health, has rested from study during the past year. He has been teaching school part of the time however, and he

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Report on Education — hopes to return to College as a member of the Senior Class next Fall.

Johnston — 2. Thomas Dabney Johnston - entered Union Theol. Seminary last October - and

Watkins — 3. Thomas H. Watkins, began his theological course at the same time, and in the same institution. Both these young brethren, according to the report of the Faculty, have won their way to standing of the first grade in scholarship, their average on all studies of the Junior Class being above 90 at the last Examination. Their deportment has been without re=proach, and they have employed themselves usefully in Sunday School & other religious work in the Suburbs of Richmond, Va. They both desire to be employed during the long vacation within bounds of this Presbytery, if possible.

Caldwell — 4. Eugene Caldwell is at Hampden-Sidney College, a resident graduate and instructor in the College. He will engage in teaching for a year or two more -

Gilmer — 5. John A. Gilmer is teaching & pursuing theological studies, under Bro. Shaw at Henderson, N.C.

Jarvis — 6. Jas. H. Jarvis - of Aurora, has been reading theology the past year = Under the circumstances it was not possible to effect an arrangement for regular & personal

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Report on Education

supervision of his course of study - He has done the best he could, and has engaged in missionary work in his section of the country - He is present, and expects to apply for licensure under the rule for extraordinary cases at this meeting.

About $200. were appropriated for Candidates for the current scholastic year ending June '99. This will all be used, except possibly in the case of Mr. Jarvis, to whom $20. out of a conditional appropriation of $50. has been paid.

Recess was here taken until 3 o'clock P.M.

3 o'clock.

Case of Mr. Jarvis

After recess the Presbytery considered the application of Candidate J.H. Jarvis for licensure as an extraordinary case - when

On motion, the Presbytery proceeded to examine the Candidate as to his literary attainments, and in Scriptural theology - at which point the examination was suspended - for today -

The Presbytery tendered Rev. C.G. Vardell the privilege of the floor, and heard him, as the principal of the Red Springs Female Seminary, in regard to the work doing in, and done by that institution.

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Red Springs Academy

Enrolled

Eldrs. Jas. Dunwiddie, R.A. Patterson, + W.S. Clary, Raleigh, Littleton, + Rocky Mount Churches appeared and were enrolled after being excused for tardiness.

Dr Chester

In response to a telegram sent to him in Wilmington N.C. Rev. Dr. S.H. Chester Secy of Foreign Missions sent word accepting an invitation to be present + address the Presbytery to-morrow - On motion, the pastor of the church Rev. Mr. Harris was directed to make the necessary arrangements + the Treasurer to pay his expenses if necessary -

Cor. member

Rev. Mr. Russell (Col) of the Presbyterian Church North was invited to sit as a corresponding member, and introduced to the Presbytery -

The Chairman of Home Missions made a partial report which was received -

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Narratives

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The chairman of the Board of Trustees of Presbytery forwarded a report which was received and read -

Vardell & Red Springs

The following resolution was offered by Dr. Johnston and adopted - viz:

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asks upon him and the School the continued blessing of God.

The Presbytery then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock - Closed with prayer.

Third Day -

Thursday, 9. A.M.

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The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Excused

Mr J. A. Gilmer was excused from further attendance after this morning's session.

Narratives

The remainder of the narratives of religion was heard, and all the papers read were referred to the Committee on the Narratives.

S. S.

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S.S. Report

to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

The following recommendations of the report were adopted; viz:

1. That the Sessions of individual churches be urged and required to organize, wherever practicable, Teachers' meetings -

2. That Sessions are urged, where practicable, to secure libraries and books for the Sunday Schools, and Presbytery recommend the libraries & books of our Publication Committee, as excellent & safe.

3. That Sessions appoint a day before the Fall Meeting of Presbytery on which the Minister shall preach a Sermon to the Sunday School, & emphasize the importance of the work in the spread of the Gospel.

4. That Sunday School Conventions are important, and Ministers & laymen are earnestly requested to assist with all diligence the Agent in this work.

5. That a convention be held in connection with the next Fall meeting of Presbytery, and a committee of which the Chairman of the Sunday School Committee shall be Chairman be appointed to arrange a program for the Convention, and to secure at least one representative from each

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School, who shall bring reports to the Convention on such matters as the Committee may deem best, including the names of such teachers and scholars as have attended Sunday School for a year or more without missing more than twice.

Visiting Bro.

The Rev. F. D. Swindell of the M.E. Church was introduced to the Presbytery, and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Special Com. on S.S. Sessions

A Committee consisting of C. Daniel D.D., G.L. Leyburn D.D. & Rev. C.N. Wharton was appointed to consider the matter of making a change in our Sabbath School Sessions, and report at the Fall Meeting of Presbytery -

Next Meeting

Oxford was unanimously chosen as the place of the next meeting of the Presbytery.

Excused

H.E. Shaw was excused from further attendance after this morning's session.

The first Committee to review Sessional Records

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made a report which was received and approved. The report of the Second Committee was also received & approved.

Minutes of Synod

The Committee to examine the Minutes of Synod reported that had examined them but found no thing requiring the action of Presbytery. This report was received, and the Committee discharged

Bible Cause

The report presented by the Agent of the Bible Cause was received and approved, and is as follows:

Our Agent of Bible Cause reports that only six of our 30 churches have contributed to this Cause during the year. The amount contributed is $45.$\frac{43}{100}$

Dr Chester

After a recess of ten minutes Presbytery heard with great pleasure an address from Dr Chester Secretary of Foreign Missions. after which recess was taken until 3:30 o'clock.

Miss'l Supplies

At 3:30 o'clock Presbytery resumed its sitting and heard the report of the Missionary Supplies appointed at the last meeting. It appeared

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that most of the brethren had performed duty.

Apportionments

The Committee on apportionments reported following changes in the apportionments of the churches named below - viz. Littleton ch. All reduced one half. Grassy Creek - Presbyterial Assessment reduced $5.00 to $3.00. Tarboro. Relief Fund changed to $10.00 Publication to $8.00

On motion, Dr. Johnston was directed to pay his expenses as Stated Clerk to this meeting, out of the Presbyterial Fund.

Nomination of Commis'rs

The following nominations for Commissioners to the General Assembly were made, viz: Ministers: Rev. F. H. Johnston D.D. & Rev. E. D. Brown. Ruling Elders: Jno. Webb, Dr R. A. Patterson & H. E. Shaw.

Parts of trial for Candidates

Dr. Johnston, Agent of Education, reported recommending the following theses & other parts of trial to be assigned to Candidates Gilmer, Watkins, & Johnston - The report was adopted, as follows:

Mr. Gilmer

Parts of trial for Mr. Gilmer -

Latin thesis: An Spiritus Sanctus adorandus sit?

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Greek Exegesis: Matt. 5 C. 13-16 vv.
Popular Lecture: I Cor. 13th chapter:
Popular Sermon: James. 2 C. 14 V.

Watkins — For Mr. Watkins.—
Latin Thesis: An justificatio fide sola sit?
Greek Exegesis: Romans V C. 1-11 vv.
Popular Lecture: Isaiah 55th chapter.
Popular Sermon: Isaiah 53 C. 6 V.

Johnston — For Mr. Johnston.—
Latin Thesis = An anima humana immortalis sit?
Greek Exegesis: Romans 12 C. 1-5 vv.
Popular Lecture: II Peter 1 C. 1-11 vv.
Popular Sermon: I Peter. 1:5

Report of auditing Committee — Dr. Leyburn from the Committee to audit Treasurer's Accounts & also Clerk of Treasurer of Home Missions made a report which was received and adopted.

The Committee to examine Treasurer's report and book, report that they have done so carefully, and find the same well kept and correct; the vouchers for all disbursements being presented, except for one that was so recently made that there has not been time to receive the voucher.

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The Committee also report that have carefully examined the book & vouchers of Rev. J. B. Morton, Chairman of Presb. Home Missions, and find all accurately kept, the vouchers agreeing with all the expenditures.

Geo. L. Leyburn } Com.
Wm. S. Clary }

Sessional Duties — The Committee on the Reports of Sessions on Sessional Duties made a report which was received.

Syst. Benef. report — The Committee to prepare a report on Systematic Beneficence made a report which was adopted & ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

Westminster Leagues — The Committee on Westminster Leagues reported that there was nothing requiring presbyterial action.

Excused — Messrs. Clary and Dinwiddie were excused from farther attendance after to-night's Session.

Recess was then taken until after divine Service to-night.

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The Presbytery convened after Divine Service; and heard Prof. Dinwiddie in behalf of Peace Institute -

Peace Institute

A paper in regard to this institution was presented by Dr. Daniel, which was adopted, and is as follows: viz:

Resolved, 1. That the Presbytery of Albemarle hereby recognizes a special relation as existing between itself and Peace Institute because of the fact that this school is located within Presbytery's bounds, has contributed, and is so largely contributing to the development of Presbyterianism amongst us, is thoroughly Presbyterian in its spirit and management, and stands in such close relationship to the Parochial Presbytery of our Church at the Capital of our State.

2. That the Presbytery hereby appoints a committee to confer with Prof. Dinwiddie on the one side, and our Mother Presbytery of Orange, on the other to ascertain and report whether it be practicable to bring Peace Institute into closer relationship to these two presbyteries.

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H. M. McDonald was granted leave of absence after to-night.

The Presbytery then adjourned, after prayer, until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Fourth Day

Friday, 9 o'clock.

The Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with devotional exercises -

The Minutes of yesterday were read & approved.

Excused

E. Daniel, E. D. Brown, A. S. Caldwell, J. H. Jarvis, and R. A. Patterson were granted leave of absence after this morning's Session.

Overtures of Assembly

Action was taken as follows on the overtures of the Assembly laid over from the Fall meeting, viz: Overture No. 1. to amend the Directory for Worship, by substituting the word "in" in place of "into" as it now is, in the Formula of Baptism. Presbytery voted that the change be not made.

In the case of overture No. 2. amending the Book of

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Overtures
of Assembly

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Church Order so that a Ruling Elder might be appointed to deliver a Charge to the people in the installation of a pastor, the following reply was adopted: viz:

The Presbytery having considered the Assembly's recommendation with reference to giving authority to the ruling-elder to deliver the Charge to the people in the installation of a pastor, would make reply as follows,

1. If the Assembly's recommendation is based upon the theory that all Presbyters, as such, are coördinate, and consequently may be appointed to identical functions, then the changes proposed are not only insufficient but opposite.

2. If this insufficiency & opposition be found on upon the theory that the difference between the Presbyter who preaches, and the Presbyter who does not preach, should be made greater in such functions as delivering a charge; this Presbytery cannot accept that theory.

3. On either hypothesis the Presbytery declines its advice & consent to the proposed amendment,

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Commiss.
Elected

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Presbytery proceeded to the Election of Commissioners to the General Assembly, which resulted in the choice of the Rev. Dr. F. H. Johnston & Mr. John Webb of the Oxford Church as principals; and of the Rev. E. D. Brown, & Mr. H. E. Shaw as alternates.

Time &
next meeting

Tuesday before the Second Sabbath in September at 7:30 P. M. was selected as the time of the Fall Meeting of Presbytery.

the following report on Sabbath Observance was adopted,

Sabbath
Observance

That while there seems to be some improvement in the observance of the Sabbath in our bounds, still it remains true that there is much Sabbath desecration, and in the opinion of your Agent much of it is due to the example & influence of professing Christians, he therefore asks that Presbytery again urge her ministers to preach on this subject as often as practicable.

The Agent for Colored Evangelization called up

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Colored Evangelization

from the docket his report on that subject made at the last meeting, but not acted upon -
The report was taken from the docket and approved and the following recommendations adopted - viz:
1. That Pastors and Sessions be urged to present this cause to our people more earnestly, and that all possible effort be made to have every Church in the Presbytery to raise at least the amount apportioned to it.
2. That effort be made to preach to the Colored people more, and to establish Sabbath Schools for them taught by White people.
3. That the Presbytery in the Fall set apart an hour for the special consideration of this work.

Narative

The Committee to prepare a narative submitted a report which was received + adopted and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly + Synod - viz:
The attendance upon Church services is reported in the main as having been very good.
The observance of the Lord's day, of Family Wor-

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the Narative

=ship, & prevalence of worldly conformity, altho' short of the scriptural standard are evidently upon the upward grade. The training of Children is reported as good. New Sunday Schools have been organized, & better work has been done in our S.S. Gratifying results have been reached in the worship of giving. Nearly all the ministers have been paid in full, & most of our Churches have contributed to all our causes of beneficence. Considerable missionary work has been attempted, but nothing like the exi-gencies of our wide & destitute territory demand. Regular services are held in nearly all of our Churches; but the intervals between these services are too this necessarily so in too many of them. Revivals have been enjoyed by some of our churches and additions on profession have been made to all with only a few exceptions.

Mr. Jarvis

The Presbytery proceeded to the case of Jas. H. Jarvis, applicant for licensure, and heard him deliver an address from Matthew 11 C. 28 V.

Recess was then taken for five minutes, after

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which the examination, and Sermon and other parts of trial were voted satisfactory as a whole and order was taken for his licensure after divine service this morning.

Supplies appointed

The following supplies were ordered, viz:

J.H. Johnston,	One Sabbath	at Weldon & discretion	
E. Daniel	"	"	Louisburg & discretion.
C. M. Payne	"	"	Kinston & Greenville.
G. L. Leyburn,	"	"	Dover & discretion
J. W. Faries.	"	"	Dover-Farbro-La Grange
W. T. Walker-	"	"	Roanoke Rapids, Enfield & Gurny Memorial,
C. N. Wharton	"	"	Nutbush & Rocky Mount
A. R. Shaw	"	"	Oak Hill & Geneva-
A. S. Caldwell	"	"	Rocky Mt. & Enfield
E. D. Brown	"	"	Pamele.
Jas Thomas	"	"	Louisburg.
J. B. Morton	"	"	At discretion & Elizabeth City

The Presbytery took recess until after Divine Service.

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After recess —

Mormons

The Committee appointed to look into the Mormon question reported that there was nothing demanding the action of Presbytery.

Mr. Jarris licensed

The Presbytery then proceeded to the licensure of Mr. Jas. H. Jarris - Having answered all the Constitutional questions appointed to be put to Candidates for licensure, Mr. Jarris was licensed to preach the gospel under the clause governing extraordinary cases, and placed under the special care of the Chairman of Home Missions.

Licentiate Rogers

The Presbytery then heard a verbal report from licentiate W. J. Rogers (Col), which was received & approved.

Visiting Bro.

The Rev. J. W. Bryant of the M. E. Church was introduced and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

The Special Committee ad interim on Church

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Ch. Finance — Finance made a report which was received and approved, and ordered to be printed and distributed among the Churches.

Excused — The Rev. A. R. Shaw was excused from attendance at this meeting of Presbytery. and D. Leyburn was given leave of absence after this morning's Session.

Shiloh ch. — A request signed by members of Shiloh Church for dissolution of the said Church was read. whereupon a committee, consisting of Rev. A.S. Caldwell & Rev. W. T. Walker, and Elder Jno Webb was appointed to dissolve the Shiloh Church should it be thought advisable.

Report on Home Missions — The report of the Executive Committee of Home Missions was then taken up & concluded. The following recommendations of the report were adopted: viz:

Rec. 1. Postponed for action to Fall meeting.

" 2. That the following Churches be & are hereby asked to raise the amounts paid their pastors

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Home missions — to the extent of the amount indicated here below thus relieving the Presbytery to this degree, and encouraging the general work as they become more & more self-sustaining—

Wilson Church from $400 to $450
Kinston " " 200 to 300.
Rocky Mount " 500 to 550.

Rec. 3. Your Committee recommend the ministers shall guarantee that the full amount apportioned to the Church, or Churches of his charge for Presbyterial Home Missions, shall be paid to the treasurer of same within one month after the collection has been ordered.

Rec. 4. We recommend that if necessary to meet obligations before next Spring meeting, every minister within our bounds who has only one church shall be asked to raise an additional $10.00; and every minister who has charge of more than one Church shall be asked to raise $5.00 to Home Missions which arrangement will add $100.00 to the treasury of Home Missions annually so long as continued

Rec. 5. Since it has been necessary to borrow money twice during the year, and the disbursed

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Home Missions

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-ments now exceed the receipts, your Committee ask that the Treasurer of Presbytery turn over to it whatever funds he may have in hand belonging to the Church Erection fund, that they may have the use of this money. the H. M. Committee promising to return it to the Cause of Church Erection whenever needed.

We recommend the following grouping of our Churches with the amounts expected from them for the support of the ministers in charge, and that those whose names are herein mentioned in connexion with a given group be hereby Elected Evangelists for the Presbytery. And as this grouping is not altogether satisfactory to your Committee we ask authority to make changes in it with the consent of the ministers + the churches,

1 Elizabeth City Field —

Carr Memorial Church	$250
Nahalah — — —	50
Roanoke — — — — —	15
Parnell + Everett — — — —	115.
Presbytery — — — —	300.
	$730

Supplied by Rev. Dr. Johnston —

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2 - Wilson Field —

Wilson Church — 3/4 time —	$450.
Strickland " —	25.
La Grange " —	125.
Presbytery — —	150.
	$750.

Supplied by Rev. Jas. Thomas

3. Granville Field —

Oak Hill Church — — —	$200.00
Geneva " — — —	200.00
Grassy Creek " — — —	75.00
Roanoke Rapids &c — — —	50.00 + Exp. guaranteed.
Presbytery — — —	175.00
	$700.00

To be supplied by Rev. Wm. T. Walker,

4. Warrenton Field —

Warrenton Church —	$250.00
Young Memorial —	50.00
Littleton, — — —	75.00
Presbytery, — — —	275.00
	$650.00

Supplied by Rev. C. N. Wharton.

Olivet + Falkland Chs. to be supplied by Rev. J. B. Minter

The Committee also recommend that application be

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made to the Assembly's Relief Fund for $60.00 for the support of Mrs. Fannie Hines.

Jno. B. Morton
Chmn Com. Home Missions

Littleton Ch. The trustees of the Littleton Church were authorized to make a certain exchange in their church lot with transfer of deed.

Mackey's Ferry Ch. Rev. Dr. Johnston was appointed a Committee to investigate the advisability of dissolving the Church at Mackey's Ferry in Washington County.

Roanoke Rapids The Commission appointed to organize a church at Roanoke Rapids made a report which was received, and the Commission continued.

Statistical Report The Stated Clerk presented the Statistical Report which was adopted and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

The following was adopted: viz.
Resolved That the thanks of Presbytery are hereby tendered heartily to the Pastor, Officers +

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Thanks Members of the Goldsboro Church for the kind courteous Christian entertainment of its members during this meeting; also to the various pastors of the town who have tendered their pulpits for use; + to the telegraph and Railway authorities for courtesies extended to the body.

Adjourns The Presbytery having finished the work before it the Minutes were read and approved, when on motion the Presbytery adjourned to meet in Oxford Tuesday, September 5th at 7:30 P.M. Closed with singing, prayer, & the Apostolic benediction -

(Signed) W. T. Walker } Tem. Clerks
J. A. Gilmer }

Attest: F. M. Johnston
Stated Clerk.

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of the Twenty-first Session of the Presbytery of Albemarle.

First day
Oxford, N.C.
Tuesday, Sept. 5th 1899
7.30 P.M.

1st Day
Opening Exercises

The Presbytery of Albemarle met according to adjournment in the Presbyterian Church of this place, this day & hour; and was opened with a sermon by the Moderator, the Rev. Jas. Thomas from Phil. 2d Ch. 5-8 vv. "Let this mind be in you, wh. was also in Christ Jesus &c"
After the sermon the Presbytery was constituted with prayer by the Moderator—

Roll Call

The roll was then called with the following result: Ministers present: Rev. Messrs. Johnston, Daniel, Wharton, Walker, Payne, Morton, Thomas, Brown, Caldwell, Leyburn, and Shaw. — 11.

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Ministers absent: Revs. Messrs. Farries and Vass. — 2

Roll of Elders — Ruling Elders enrolled:

James H. Jarris — Aurora Ch.
J. B. Daniel — Geneva "
Saml Watkins — Henderson "
Dr. L. C. Taylor — Oxford "
Jas. Dinwiddie — Raleigh "
John B. Sparrow — Washington "
J. M. B. Hunt — (2) Nutbush "

Moderator, Clerks — The Rev. E. D. Brown was elected Moderator, and the Rev. Jas. Thomas with Mr. J. B. Sparrow were chosen temporary Clerks.

Order for Sab. School Convention — The Presbytery voted to set apart the entire day tomorrow to the holding of a Convention in the interest of the Sabbath School Cause, on the recommendation of the Agent the Rev. C. N. Wharton, adopted at the Spring Meeting — and a program of the exercises was announced.

The Rev. Thos H. Law D.D. of the Presbytery of Enoree

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Cor. Member — and Field Agent of the American Bible Society was introduced, & invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Do — Mr. C. M. Brown, an elder of the Washington Church & Member of the Presb'l Committee of Home Missions was also invited to sit as corresponding member, and tendered the privileges of the floor.

Visiting Bros. — The Rev. Messrs. M. H. Tuttle Pastor of the M. E. Ch. Oxford; and J. S. Hardaway of the Baptist Ch. were introduced to the Presbytery & invited to sit as visiting brethren.

Comte on Devot. Exercises. — Rev. A. S. Caldwell and Dr. L. C. Taylor were appointed by the moderator a standing committee on devotional exercises.

Adjourned — The Presbytery, on motion, adjourned to meet Thursday morning at 9:30 O'clock.
Closed with prayer by Dr Leyburn.

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Thursday - 9:30 a.m.

Second Day

Minutes — After devotional exercises conducted by the Rev. Mr. Brown, Moderator, the Presbytery heard the reading of the minutes of the last sederunt, Tuesday evening. The reading of the record of the last meeting in April was dispensed with.

Hours of Sederunt — The following hours were agreed to for the sittings of the Presbytery, - viz:
Morning Session from 9:30 to 12:30 P.m.
Meet again at 3:30 adjourning at will -
Evening Session - 8:30 - adjourning at will.

Standing Committees. — The following additional standing committees were announced - viz:
On Minutes of the General Assembly.
Rev. D. E. Daniel & Elder J. H. Jarvis.
On Calls & Installations:
Rev. Dr. C. M. Payne, & Elder S. Watkins.

Report on Education — Rev. Dr Johnston made a verbal report on Education and Presbytery's Candidates which was accepted.

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Orders of Day — The following orders of the day were passed, viz:
1. To hear the Rev. Dr Law at 10:15 o'clock today.
2. To hear the report on Foreign Missions to-night.

Publication & Colportage & Presbyterian Standard. — The Rev. Dr. Leyburn made a report on Publication & Colportage, which was received and approved. In this connexion the following minute prepared by Dr. Leyburn was adopted -
The Presbytery does hereby renew its earnest commendation of the "Presbyterian Standard", and cordially invites Bro. McKelway to come himself, or send his business manager to canvass our congregations promising our hearty cooperation & assistance.

Bible Cause — At 10:15 o'clock. Rev. Dr Law addressed the Presbytery on the Bible Cause.

Cor. Members — The Rev. J. S. Shaw of the Presbytery of Cape Fear of the Presb. Church (North) was introduced & invited to sit as corresponding member.

Order of Day — The report on Colored Evangelization was made the order of the day for to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

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Peace Inst. The report of the Commission, Dr Daniel Chinn, to confer with Prof. Dinwiddie & with Orange Presbytery concerning closer relations with Peace Institute was heard, received and adopted by a rising vote. It is as follows:

1. That Albemarle Presbytery hereby assume toward Peace Institute the relation of general advice & control suggested by Prof. Dinwiddie & recommended by the joint Committee, to wit: "Such relationship of supervision, suggestion, free consultation & patronage as may be consistent with the financial responsibility borne by myself and conduce to our becoming co-workers in building up the Presbyterian Church in whose name & for whose interest the School has been conducted & shall be even more decidedly in the future, than in the past"

Directors appointed 2. That Rev. E. Daniel D.D., Rev. A. R. Shaw, Rev. F. H. Farries, Mr. W. S. Primrose, and Mr. C. M. Brown, be appointed the five directors from Albemarle Presbytery provided for in the report.

All the papers in reference to this action which

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Papers filed. presented read by the Commission were ordered to be filed in the archives of the Presbytery.

Visiting Bro. Rev. Wm. Hester of the Methodist Church was received as a visiting brother.

Enrolled J. M. B. Hunt of the Neuhoski appeared and was enrolled.

Manses C. M. Brown, Agent of Manses reported that there was nothing new to communicate on that subject.

Trustees of Presbytery Saml Watkins, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Presbytery, said the Board had nothing to report to this meeting.

Trustee of Davidson College report Rev. James Thomas, trustee of Davidson College reported attendance at the late meeting of the Board, & the Commencement and spoke favorably of the condition & prospects of the institution. Report received & approved.

Rev Dr Johnston reported his attendance

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Report of Commissioner — as Commissioner to the General Assembly in Richmond, Va. The report was received, and diligence of the Commissioner commended.

Cor. member — The Rev. R. W. Boyd, Concord Presbytery, and Supt. of the Barium Springs Synodical Orphanage was introduced & invited to sit as a Corresponding member.

Louisburg Ch. building — Mr. J. A. Turner of Louisburg was by courtesy given the privilege of the floor to speak on the interests of the Church at that place.
The matter of Church building which he presented was by vote referred to the Committee of Home Missions.
Recess was taken until 3:30 P.M.

After recess,

Commission to organize ch Brookston Chapel — The following named Commission was appointed to organize a Church at Brookston Chapel near Henderson, if the way be clear. viz: Rev. A. R. Shaw, Rev. Wm. T. Walker, S. Watkins, J. R. Young, J. R. Black.

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The following paper was adopted - viz:

Committee to prepare for S.S. Convention — Resolved, that a Committee of two be appointed to assist the Sabbath School Agent in arranging permanent blanks for use of the S.S. Convention & that Rev. J. B. Morton together with the pastor of the Church where the Convention is to meet be said Committee.

Also the following was adopted:

Resolved that at each Fall Meeting of Presbytery, a Sabbath School Convention be held under the auspices of the Presbytery, and such hours be given to it as are deemed proper by the Committee for that purpose of which the pastor of the Church in which Presbytery meets shall be a member.

Ladies Miss'y Union — At the request of the ladies of the Presbyterial Missionary Union Consent was given to their meeting annually at the time & place of the Spring meeting of the Presbytery, instead of the Fall as at present.

The report of the Presbyterial Committee on Home

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Missions was heard & considered pending which recess was taken until 8:30 P.M.

Foreign Missions — After recess - devotional exercises were held preliminary to hearing the report in Foreign Missions -

By general consent before the subject of Foreign Missions was entered upon, the Rev. Mr. Boyd made an address on the Orphan's Home -

The Foreign Mission meeting was then held, presided over by the Rev. D. Daniel who read a report, & introduced the speakers of the occasion the Rev. Messrs. Brown & Shaw - A report from the Ladies Missionary Union was also read, and a collection taken up amounting to $12.00 & turned over to the Union - the money to be divided equally between Home & Foreign Missions.

Adjourned — The Presbytery then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock -

Closed with prayer -

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Third Day

Friday. 9:30 a.m.

The Presbytery met & was opened with devotional exercises -

Minutes — The Minutes of yesterday were read & approved -

Reports of Licentiates — Licentiate (Col) W. J. Rogers sent a written report of his labors which was read and approved -

Licentiate Jas. H. Jarvis who was present rendered a verbal account of his work which was approved -

Colored Evangelization — The Rev. Wm. T. Walker Agent of Colored Evangelization made a report on that subject, which was followed by a general discussion. The report was received & commended.

The report of D. Daniel on Foreign Missions which was read last night was received & approved.

The report on the Minutes of the General Assembly was heard, received & approved -

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Sab. School Lessons

The report of the *ad interim* Committee on Change in the Sabbath School Lessons was heard & adopted as follows: viz:

The ad interim Committee appointed to consider what steps, if any, should be taken to change the Sabbath School Lessons would report recommending that it is inexpedient at this time to make a movement in this direction.

Westminster Leagues

The Committee on Westminster Leagues made a report which was accepted & the Committee at their own request continued.

Excused

Revs. Daniel & Wharton, Prof. Dinwiddie & J. M. B. Hunt obtained leave of absence after this morning's Session.

Examination report

The Standing Committee on the examination of Candidates in the Literary & Scientific Course reported that had examined Mr. Thos. H. Watkins in the same & recommended approval — Adopted —

Do.

Also, the Committee on Greek & Latin Languages

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reported having examined Mr. Watkins in Greek & Latin, recommending approval. Adopted.

Written Exam. approved, &c.

The Committee on Literary & Scientific Course requested permission to give examinations in writing if they so desired & to examine Candidates in the interval of meetings of Presbytery if found convenient. The request was granted.

Appropriations to Candidates

Dr Johnston Agent of Education asked that the following appropriations in aid of the Candidates named be authorized — viz:

To Thos H. Watkins of Union Seminary		$50.00
To Thos. D. Johnston	" "	100.00
To John A. Gilmer	" "	100.00
To E. H. Wood —	Davidson College	75.00
		$325.00

These appropriations were authorized.

Reports of Miss'y Supplies.

The Missionary Supplies appointed at the last meeting were called upon for reports — It appeared that most of them had filled their appointments & the rest rendered satisfactory excuse.

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Excused — Rev. Jas. Thomas obtained leave of absence after this morning.

Cor. Member — The Rev. E. E. Gilespie of Orange Presbytery was introduced & invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Place & time of next meeting — Washington N.C. was selected as the place of the Spring Meeting — and the time chosen, Tuesday before the third (3d) Sabbath in April 1900 at 7:30 P.M. (being the 11th of the month)

Action in attendance of Elder re-presentatives — The following resolution was adopted, viz:
Resolved, that Ruling Elders Samuel Watkins, Capt. J. M. B. Hunt and John Webb be appointed a committee to formulate a plan looking to the securing of full attendance upon the Sessions of Presbytery on the part of ruling Elders representatives; said committee to submit a report at the Spring Meeting of Presbytery.

Concerning the formation of the pastoral relation the following action was taken, viz:

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Pastoral re-lation — Resolved, that the Home Missions Committee be directed in the name of the Presbytery to suggest to churches now served by Evangelists the desirability and advantage of forming the pastoral relation whenever in their judgment the formation of such relation seems wise & possible.

The following action was taken concerning the Orphanage. viz:

Orphans Home — Resolved, that Presbytery has welcomed the presence of the Rev. R. W. Boyd, Superintendant of the Barium Springs Orphanage, and has heard with pleasure his presentation of the work committed to his care. And Presbytery cordially commends this great cause to the prayers & contributions of all our people; & especially recommends that our Sabbath Schools give the collection of one Sabbath a month — Synod has suggested the third Sabbath — to the support of the Orphanage.

3 o'clock P.M. was made a special order for the hearing of the Rev. E. E. Gillespie.

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Recess taken until 3. P.M.

Treasurer's Statement

After recess,

The Treasurer read the following Statement.

Statement of Treasurer Sept 1. 1899.

I Presbyterial Fund

Balance in hand April 1. 99	$36.04	
Receipts since	144.00	180.04
Disbursements to date		40.70
Balance in treasury		$139.34

II Education -

Balance April 1.	$171.01	
Receipts since	122.22	293.23
Remittances to Memphis		50.00
Balance		$243.23

III Reade Bequest Fund

The balance of $62. in hand paid over to Home Mis. Comte by order of Presby.

IV Seminary Room -

Collected & Sent to W. C. Preston Tr

Oct. 1. 98	50.00
Apl. 19. 99 — —	25.00
Total — — —	75.00

J. H. Johnston Treas.

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States Clerk's Expenses

On motion the expenses of the States Clerk in attending this meeting of Presbytery were ordered to be paid out of the Presbyterial Fund.

Shiloh Church.

The Committee appointed at the last meeting to dissolve the Shiloh Church if deemed advisable made report which was approved, as follows:

The Committee having heard the Church and weighed the matter have decided not to dissolve said Church — W. T. Walker Chmn.

Mackey's Ferry Church Dissolved

Upon a report made by Rev. Dr. Johnston on the advisability of dissolving the Mackey's Ferry Church, said Church was dissolved and the States Clerk was authorized to grant letters to the members as they may request.

Church at R. Rapids Enrolled

Rev. W. T. Walker, previously appointed for the purpose reported that on the 25th of June last he organized a Church of 14 members at Roanoke Rapids in Halifax County. The report was received & on motion the Roanoke Rapids Church was placed on the roll of churches.

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Commissioner report.

Mr. Jno Webb, commissioner to the General Assembly reported his attendance &c. the report was accepted & diligence commended.

Election of Trustee for D. College

The Rev. C. N. Wharton was reelected trustee of Davidson College on behalf of this Presbytery for three years.

Report of Ex. Comte of Home Missions

The report of the Committee of Home Missions after having been heard & considered in detail was adopted & is as follows:

Your committee report that the cause of Home Missions is progressing favorably along the lines indicated at our Spring meeting with one or two slight exceptions - The churches of Geneva & Oak Hill decline to raise the additional $100. to the amount heretofore paid their minister, (& their letter of reply with the whole matter was referred to the Home Mission Committee).

Your Committee has ascertained that the $100. increase of salary for year ending last April on the part of the Wilson Church has not been provided for except $10. & your Committee recommend that the Chairman of Home Missions Committee use his

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effort to have this amount raised as far as can be done & the balance be considered a debt upon the Committee to be paid to Bro Thomas when the condition of the treasury permits -

Settlement in full has been made with all of our evangelists except the old debt due Bro Thomas. It is hoped that this will be paid soon.

Your Committee advises the establishment of the pastoral relation between acceptable Stated Supplies & their Churches.

Dr Johnston has resigned the care of all his field. The resignation has been accepted by the Committee to take effect as soon as practicable.

In accepting this resignation your Committee wish to put upon record their appreciation of his services. His ability as a preacher, the high order of Christian living which he has exemplified, the spirit of uncomplaining patience and cheerful hope with which he has prosecuted this arduous work. have elicited for him the love & admiration of his brethren.

Your Committee will correspond with the Home Mission Committee of Norfolk Presbytery, as

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to the desirability of said Presbytery supplying our territory lying east & north of Roanoke River, and Albemarle Sound report to Presbytery at Synod. Your Committee has been unable to extend its work or to employ summer workers as usual for the want of funds. Except that we have secured the services of Mr. T. D. Johnston who has been maintained in the work without charge to the Committee.

The services of Rev. A. M. Hassell were secured for a week at a cost of $10. to the Committee. Bro Jarvis has been enabled to do some evangelistic work in connection with his Colportage. Your Committee has been able to give him only $10. for his work.

Your Committee has secured the services of Dr. Morton four or five weeks in the year beginning the 15th inst, to do Evangelistic work within our bounds, for the sum of $50.

Your Committee recommend the following additional group of churches.

Nutbush to pay -	$300.
Shiloh "	50.
Presbytery "	150
	$500.00

Jno B. Morton Chairman

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Rev E.E. Gillespie -

Presbytery then heard the Rev. E.E. Gillespie, Synod Supt. of Home Missions, thanked him for his address and resolved that its Ministers & Elders aid in this great work.

Church at Weldon Enrolled

Rev. Wm. T. Walker reported that assisted by Dr. Johnston he had organized a church of seven members at Weldon N.C. W. W. Wiggins as Elder & T. B. Dunn as Deacon were chosen & ordained & installed according to Book of Order.

The report was approved & the Weldon Church ordered to be Enrolled.

Calls &c

The Standing Committee on Calls & Installations reported no business put into their hands. Accepted & Committee discharged.

Missy Supplies Appointed

The following Missionary Supplies were appointed viz;

F. A. Johnston,	Weldon, Edenton & Plymouth
E. Daniel,	Louisburg & at discretion
C. N. Wharton,	Roanoke Rapids & Enfield.
J. W. Farries,	Dover & at discretion.

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W. T. Walker, Enfield & at discretion
C. M. Payne, Aurora & Henderson.
Jno. B. Morton, Elizabeth City & discretion
James Thomas, At discretion.
E. D. Brown, Parmele & Falkland.
A. S. Caldwell, Wilson & Nahalah.
G. L. Leyburn, Elizabeth City & Aurora
A. R. Shaw, Washington & in Granville Co.
J. H. Jarvis. Parmele & Falkland.

Vote of Thanks

The following vote of thanks was adopted - viz:
Resolved that the hearty thanks of the Presbytery be returned to the good people of the Oxford Church & congregation for their generous & abundant hospitality. It has been a pleasure & a benediction to be entertained in their homes & by there kind Christian brethren & friends. May God graciously reward them.

Minutes

The Minutes were then read & approved & Presbytery recessed until 9:30 P.M. at which hour after singing, prayer & benediction it adjourned to meet in Asheville N.C. at call of the Moderator during the Session of the Synod.

Final adjournment

Signed J. Thomas } Clerks
J. B. Spanno }

Attest: F. H. Johnston, Stated Clerk.

The Adjourned Meeting at Asheville.

Asheville N. C.
Oct. 12th 1899

Pursuant to adjournment, the Presbytery of Albemarle met in the 1st Presbyterian Church at the call of Rev. J. B. Morton last Moderator pre=sent

Present

There were present, Revs. J. B. Morton, Moderator, A. S. Caldwell, C. N. Wharton, and W. T. Walker with Ruling Elder James Dinwiddie.

The Presbytery was constituted with prayer.

adj. meeting at Rocky Mt. ordered.

It was decided that when this Presbytery adjourns, it adjourn to meet at Rocky Mount N.C. November the 7th 1899, at 11 o'clock A.M.

The Presbytery then adjourned to meet at Rocky Mount, at the time above stated.

The Minutes were read & approved.

Closed with prayer

(Signed) Wm. T. Walker
Sem. Clerk.

Attest: F. H. Johnston
Stated Clerk.

Pro re nata Meeting at Rocky Mount.

Note by S. Clerk.

The Presbytery having failed to meet according to adjournment, a meeting was called by the moderator to meet at Rocky Mount December the 2nd.

Stated Clerk.

Rocky Mount N. C. Dec. 2, 1899.

Called Meet^g at Rocky Mt.

The Presbytery met here at 11 o'clock A.M. this day, under the following call of the Moderator, the Rev. E. D. Brown of date Nov. 21st.

The Constitutional requirement having been complied with, the Presbytery of Albemarle is hereby called to meet at Rocky Mount N.C. Dec. 2. 1899. for the purpose of receiving the Rev. W. D. Morton from the Presbytery of Central Mississippi, and installing him pastor of the Rocky Mount Church; and to receive Mr. E. P. Bradley from Concord Presbytery and license him to preach the gospel if the way be clear for all.

Present.

Rev. James Thomas, last moderator present presided, and the meeting was opened with prayer. Present: Ministers, the Rev. Messrs J. B. Morton, C. M. Payne, and Jas. Thomas, and after the noon recess, the Rev. Geo. L. Leyburn D.D. Ruling Elder. W. S. Clary, of Rocky Mount.

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Mr. Clary was chosen temporary Clerk.

D Morton received.

A letter of dismission from Central Mississippi Presbytery was presented by the Rev. W. D. Morton D.D. and after the usual examination, he was received and enrolled as a member of this Presbytery

Call

A call for the pastoral services of Rev. D. Morton from the Rocky Mount Church was read, found in order, & placed in D Morton's hands, And the call being accepted by him the following Committee

Order for installation.

was appointed to install him on Sabbath Dec. 3. viz: The Rev. Dr Leyburn to preach a sermon, and Rev Jno B. Morton to preside, propound the constitutional questions, and charge pastor & people.

E. P. Bradley received & examined for licensure

Mr. E. P. Bradley a candidate under the care of Concord Presbytery, presented a letter of dismission to this Presbytery, which was received and his name enrolled, Upon his application for licensure & on presentation of a letter from the Stated Clerk of Concord Presbytery that Mr Bradley had passed all his literary examinations, Presbytery took up the remaining parts of trial and proceeded to examine him on Theology and Church History, and the examination having been sustained as satisfac

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-tory, Presbytery took recess until 2:30 P.M.

After recess – the Presbytery met,

Enrolled

The Rev. D. Leyburn appeared and after excuse for tardiness, was enrolled.

Examination Continued

The examinations of Mr. Bradley were resumed, and those on the Sacraments, Church Government and the Hebrew language were sustained as satisfac-tory, as also his Critical Exegesis and Popular Lecture. The Latin thesis was referred to a Com-mittee – Revs. J. Thomas & J. B. Morton – to report at the evening session. And the hour appointed for hearing Mr. Bradley's trial Sermon was 7:30 P.M. to which time recess was taken.

2:30 P.M.

Presbytery met & resumed business.

Trial Sermon

The Committee on the Latin thesis reported recommending that it be affirmed as satisfac-tory – Adopted.

Mr. Bradley then preached from Hebrews 9:22 after which the Sermon & all the parts of trial as a whole were voted to be satisfactory.

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Licensure of Mr. Bradley

The Presbytery then proceeded to license Mr. E. S. Bradley as a probationer for the Holy Ministry in due form as prescribed in Form of Government par. 136.

Meeting Closed

The Minutes were read & approved.

Closed with prayer & the Apostolic benediction.

(Signed) Wm. S. Clary
Temp. Clerk

Attest: F. H. Johnston
Stated Clerk.

The Pro-re nata Meeting at Oxford

Oxford, N. C. Dec. 18. 1899.
10:30 A.m.

The Presbytery met at this place, day & hour in accordance with the following Call issued by the Moderator: viz:

Call of the Moderator

Tuscan N. C. Dec 7. 1899

In accordance with our book of Ch. Order, I hereby call Albemarle Presbytery to meet in Presbyterian Church, Oxford N. C. at 10 a.m. Dec. 18, 1899 to transact the following business: 1. To act on the resignation of Rev. A. S. Caldwell as pastor of the Oxford Church. 2. To dismiss Bro: Caldwell to the Presbytery of Concord, or some other, if the way be clear.

E. D. Brown Mod.

Present.

There were present Revs. A. R. Shaw, Rev A. S. Caldwell, Rev W. T. Walker, and Ruling Elder L. C. Taylor of the Oxford Church. Rev. A. R. Shaw, last moderator present took the chair & called the Court to order. Constituted with prayer.

Mr. Walker was elected Clerk pro tem.

Rev. Caldwell resigns

The Rev. A. S. Caldwell offered his resignation of the pastoral Charge of the Oxford Church. The Church was heard from through its Commissioner Col. J. S. Amis, acquiescing in asking for a dissolution of the relation. The Presbytery accepted Mr. Cald-

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Relation with Oxford ch. dissolved. Dismissed.

well's resignation and dissolved the pastoral relation. Bro: Caldwell asked to be dismissed to the Presbytery of Concord, which request was granted, and the Stated Clerk requested to give him a letter to Concord Presbytery.

The Minutes were read and approved.

Adjourned

Closed with prayer.

(Signed) Wm T. Walker
Clerk pro. tem.

Attest: F. H. Johnston
Stated Clerk.

Pro re nata Meeting at Goldsboro N. C.

Goldsboro N. C.
February 19. 1900

The Presbytery met here today at 11 o'clock A.M., under the following Call of the Moderator, viz:

Kinston N. C. Jany 27. 1900

Call of the Moderator

In accordance with the provisions of the Book of Church Order, par. 79, I hereby call a meeting of Albemarle Presbytery at Presbyterian Church of Goldsboro N. C. Feby 19. 1900 at 11. A.M.

1. To receive, consider & act upon the resignation of the Rev. Geo. L. Leyburn as pastor of the New Bern Presbyterian Church.

2. To dismiss him to Lafayette Presbytery.

E. D. Brown, Mod.

The following members were present. E. D. Brown, Jas. Thomas, W. D. Murphy, G. L. Leyburn

Constituted with prayer.

Resigns Charge

The Rev. D. Leyburn offered his resignation of the pastorate of the New Bern Church, giving reasons.

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the church consents

The Commissioners present from that Church were then heard, and the action taken by the Church was read, after which the Presbytery dissolved the relation between D. Leyburn & the Church.

Dismissed

A letter of dismission to the Presbytery of Lafayette was at his own request granted to D. Leyburn. his resignation taking effect April 1. 1900.

Minute of respect

The following resolution was adopted, viz:

Whereas, the Synod of Missouri has called our co-presbyter, the Rev. G. L. Leyburn D.D. pastor of the Church at New Bern N. C. to undertake the duties of Superintendent of its Home Mission work, and Whereas Bro Leyburn believes it to be his duty to engage in this work. The Presbytery of Albemarle in Called Session at Goldsboro N. C. on Feby 19. 1900 does reluctantly assent to D. Leyburn's convictions of obligation in this matter.

Resolved, that as presbyters we hereby testify to our appreciation of our brother Leyburn's faithful services with us. His work as a pastor has been earnest, judicious & successful. He has preached with courage & fidelity, the pure gospel of Christ, and earnestly endeavored to edify the Church of God & to win immortal souls for the service of his

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Minute of respect

Master. As a Presbyter he has been careful to attend our Church Courts & has contributed efficiently to the wisdom of our Counsels & the progress of our Church work.

Resolved, that we part with Dr. Leyburn with deep reluctance & with much sorrow, and do assure him of our sympathy & prayers as he goes out from us, and returns to the Synod which has, for a time, given him to us for faithful service.

adjourns. The Presbytery then adjourned with prayer - after reading & approval of the Minutes.

(Signed) E. D. Brown Mod.
Jas Thomas Clerk

Attest: F. H. Johnston
Stated Clerk.

Minutes

of the

Twenty-Second Session

of the

Presbytery of Albemarle

Washington, N. C.
Tuesday, April 10. 1900

The Presbytery of Albemarle met in the Presbyterian Church of Washington this day at 7:30 P.M., pursuant to adjournment.

Opening. The Rev. E. D. Brown, Moderator, preached a sermon from and afterward constituted the Presbytery with prayer.

Roll. The roll was then called with the following result:

Ministers: F. H. Johnston, E. Daniel, C. N. Wharton, W. T. Walker, F. W. Farries, E. D. Brown, C. M. Payne, J. B. Morton, Jas. Thomas (2), A. R. Shaw, W. D. Morton, E. P. Bradley (4). - 12.

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Minister absent: L. C. Vass.

Roll of Elders. Representatives present from Churches:

H. E. Shaw, from Atkinson Memorial Ch.
T. M. Allen, " Aurora "
Dan'l Reid, " Goldsboro "
E. B. Ficklen (2) " Greenville "
Sam'l Watkins " Henderson "
H. M. McDonald (2) " La Grange "
J. M. B. Hunt " Nutbush "
Mr T. Savage " Nahalah "
Jno. Webb " Oxford "
F. G. Bohmann " Parmele "
Jas. Dinwiddie " Raleigh "
W. S. Clary " Rocky Mount "
Owen Williams " Tarboro "
Jas. L. Fowle " Washington "

Moderator Chosen. Mr. Sam'l Watkins, a ruling elder of the Henderson Church, was elected Moderator; and the Rev. Wm. T. Walker, with Mr Elder W. S. Clary were chosen temporary clerks.

Presbytery fixed the following hours of meeting, viz:

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Hours fixed. Meet at 9:30 A.M. Recess at 1 P.M.
Meet at 3 P.M. until 6 P.M. Meet at 8 P.M. and adjourn at will.

Presbytery then adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock. Closed with prayer.

2d Day. Wednesday, April 11. 9:30 A.M.

Presbytery met according to adjournment, and was opened with devotional Exercises.

Minutes. The reading of the Minutes of the last Stated Meeting in Oxford was dispensed with.

The reading of the Minutes of the intermediate meetings at Asheville, Rocky Mount, Oxford, and Goldsboro, being called for, these Minutes were read.

Standing Committees. The following standing Committees were announced by the Moderator: viz:

1. To prepare a Narrative to Gen. Assembly & Synod.
W. D. Morton, D.D. & Dan'l Reid.

2. Report on Systematic Benevolence for Gen. Assembly
F. H. Johnston, D.D. & W. S. Clary.

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3 Report on Sab. Schools for Gen. Assembly.
Rev. C. N. Wharton, with J. M. B. Hunt.

4 To examine reports of Sessions on Sessional Duties.
Jas. Dinwiddie & O. Williams

5 To examine Minutes of Synod.
E. Daniel D.D. & J. L. Fowle.

6 Calls & Installations. Rev. F. W. Farries & Jno. Webb.

7 To audit Treasurer's Accounts. Jas. Dinwiddie & Jno. Webb.

8 Devotional Exercises: C. M. Payne D.D. & J. L. Fowle.

9 To review Sessional Records
1. Com. on 1st half. Rev. E. D. Brown & Mr. Hunt.
2. " " 2d " Rev. F. H. Farries & Mr. Allen.

Order of the day

The hearing of the reports of Sessions on State of Religion was fixed for 3:30 o'clock today.

Treasurer's report

The Treasurer's Report was read & referred to the Committee appointed to audit his account.

Report on Education

Rev. F. H. Johnston, Agent of Education made his report on that subject which was affirmed and recommendations adopted as follows:

"There are five (5) Candidates at present

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under the care of this presbytery.

The name of Ernest H. Wood comes first on the roll. This young brother was a student in Davidson College for 3 years & successfully passed his examinations for the Senior year, but the state of his health & especially the condition of his eyes seemed to forbid continuance in study except at the risk of utter prostration. He did not return to College in the fall of '98. Correspondence with him last Fall ('99) produced a letter from him in which he announced his decision, come to after mature reflection & prayer, no longer to pursue his preparation for the Ministry & no longer to seek that sacred office.

In view of his whole case your Agent suggests that, as at his implied request, his name be dropped from the roll of Candidates, and a letter of regret & sympathy be sent to him.

The next two names on the roll are those of J. H. Watkins & J. D. Johnston, who classmates at College, are also classmates at present in Union Theol Seminary Va. in their 2d or Middle year. Their reports from the Faculty for the whole of the Junior & first half of the Middle year show excellent & high standing men, as students, & from all sources their Christian character

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appears to be above reproach, & not only so, but they have actively employed themselves in Mission work during the summer vacation, & in term time they have engaged in Sabbath School work & other kin=-dred work in the City of Richmond & Suburbs.
They will be similarly employed during the coming summer vacation - still receive remuneration for their service.
Mr. Eugene C. Caldwell, Oxford ch. & son of Rev. A. S. Caldwell who has recently left our bounds is employed this year as teacher in the Hoge Academy at Black-=stone, Va.
The last named is that of Mr. John A. Gilmer, ruling Elder of Henderson Ch. Mr. Gilmer's report is most excellent every way. He will finish his course in June & will come before this body for licensure some time this summer. (Note. Since this report was prepared Mr. Gilmer appeared before Presby. at Washington & was licensed to preach. but returned to the Seminary to finish the course.)
The sum of $250 was appropriated by Presbytery last Fall in aid of 3 of these Candidates.
The receipts for Ministerial Education this year, so

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far, from our Chs. amount to $291.24. $145 have been transmitted to Memphis since 1st of last April. More is on hand to be transmitted soon, & some retained to pay the excess to Candidates wh. the Presby. authorizes over & above the $75. allowed by the Assembly's Committee. Finally, your agent would remind the Presby. that two years have elapsed & no new young men have offered them=-selves as seekers of the Ministry of the Gospel - before this Court. Let prayer to the great Head of the Church abound by Minister & people, that he would choose & lead forth of our Christian youth that they may be fitted to enter this grandest field both of human & divine endeavor - the redemption of the world.

The Agent of Education was requested to write letters to Candidates Brown, Pierce, and Wood, asking them to begin at once to pay back the amounts they owe to the Cause of Education in regular instalments, and to give their notes for said amounts -

Church and Christian Education

Dr. Johnston also read a paper on Church & Christian Education, the consideration of which was set for to-night after divine worship in connection with

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the Special Committee's report on Peace Institute.

Orders of the day — The hearing of the report of the Committee of Home Missions was made the 2d order of the day for to-morrow afternoon.

The hearing of the report of the Agent of Sab. Schools was made the first order of the day for Friday.

Bible Cause — Rev. D. Morton was elected Agent of the Bible Cause to complete the unexpired term of the Rev. A. S. Caldwell.

Publication — The Rev. J. W. Harris was elected Agent of Publication to fill the unexpired term of the Rev. D. Leyburn removed beyond our bounds.

Jarvis — Licentiate J. H. Jarvis made his report which was approved & the diligence of the brother Commended.

& Bradley — Licentiate E. P. Bradley made a report which was likewise Commended.

On motion Candidate Jno. A. Gilmer was put into the hands of the Committee of Examination for

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licensure

The first order of the day for tomorrow afternoon was set to hear the trial Sermon of Mr. Gilmer, and immediately thereafter to hear his popular lecture.

Enrolled — Elder E. B. Ficklen of the Greenville Ch. was enrolled

Elder C. M. Brown, Washington Ch. was put on Committee on Apportionments in place of Rev. D. G. L. Leyburn, removed.

Commissioners nominated — The following persons were nominated for Commissioners to the General Assembly — viz. Ministers — C. M. Payne D.D. and Rev. C. D. Brown — Ruling Elders — N. B. Daniel of Oak Hill Ch. and C. M. Brown of Washington.

Visiting bro: — The Rev. L. L. Nash of the M. E. Church So. was introduced to Presbytery & invited to sit as a visiting brother

Ch. organized — The Committee appointed to organize a Church at Brooks Cross Chapel if way be clear, reported that they organized a Church there of Eleven members, on the

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8th of April last- Mr. O. B. Eleanor was elected, ordained & installed Ruling Elder

Supplies reported — The Supplies appointed at the last meeting reported in most cases duty performed.

Louisburg ch. building — Rev. D. Morton was heard in the interest of the Louisburg Church building.

The following paper was adopted-

Oxford ch — Resolved- That the Committee of Home Missions be instructed to confer with the Rev. H. D. Morton, and the authorities of the Oxford Church with a view to devising some method by which the $300. of the Reade Fund used by the Oxford Church with Presbytery's Consent, be restored to the treasury of Home Missions if possible-

Enrolled — Mr. H. M. McDonald of the La Grange Church was enrolled-

The Committee on Languages reported that they had examined Candidate J. A. Gilmer on Hebrew

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in his Latin Thesis & his Greek Exegesis and recommended that the examination be approved as satisfactory. The report was adopted.

Next meeting — Greenville was chosen as the place of the next meeting of the Presbytery-

Presbytery then took a recess until 3. P.M.

After recess —

Enrolled — Elder F. G. Bühmann elder from the Parmele church was enrolled.

Narratives read — Presbytery then heard, being the order of the day, the reading of the Narratives of the Sessions.

Dover Church — The report of Rev. E. D. Brown, Evangelist of Dover ch. revealed the fact that some of its members held Universalist views- upon which the following action was taken- viz: that the Rev. F. W. Farris be instructed to communicate with the members of our Church in Dover who are reported as Universalists, and ascertain from them in writing their views on eternal

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punishment, and report the same to Presbytery at the next regular meeting.

Presbytery then receded from business until after divine worship to-night.

After divine worship the Presbytery resumed its session.

Enrollees The Rev. Jas Thomas was enrolled after satisfactory excuse for tardiness

Do D. M. T. Savage elder from Rehalah Church was enrolled.

Church and Christian Education. The Presbytery proceeded to the consideration of the paper on Education presented by Dr. Johnston this morning. This paper was adopted and is as follows:

Resolved 1. The Presbytery of Albemarle heartily approves & indorses the action of the last General Assembly on the subject of Church and Christian Education; and in accordance with that action does hereby commend the "Constitution for Presbyterian Church Schools"

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Ch. & the Education adopted by that body for the assistance & guidance of any who may find it practicable to found schools under Church Control. And for the sake of easy reference said Constitution shall be spread upon the Presbytery's Minutes

2. The Presbytery also in accordance with the Assembly's plan, hereby appoints a permanent Committee of two Ministers & one Ruling Elder, to be styled the "Presbyterial Committee on Church and Christian Education", whose business it shall be to gather & disseminate information, & excite interest in this cause, as best they may; to make annual report to the Presbytery at the Fall Meeting of matters connected with this department of Church Work; and to be the organ of communication with the permanent Committee of the General Assembly, & the Synod on this subject.

3. That Presbytery urges the Ministers & Sessions under its charge to instruct our people on the duty & necessity of providing for the Education of our sons & daughters, after the manner of the Fathers, on Christian lines; and of founding & fostering schools in which the Bible & the Catechisms, shall be text books.

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Ch. + Ed. — 4. That this Presbytery, as being very largely called to engage in & carry on Home Mission operations throughout its bounds, would emphasize the Mission School as a necessary part of its work, and must recognize its obligation to make special effort to put Christian Schools in the Home field wherever practicable, just as it is recognized & provided for in the Foreign field.

5. That Presbytery rejoices in the evidences of a growing interest throughout our bounds in the cause of Church Education; as for example, the multiplication of Schools of all grades, both male & female, in which the Bible is a text book; and the increasing number of Churches contributing to the support of this Cause; and urges all our Churches & people to become steady contributors to an object so vital to the efficiency & progress of our beloved Zion; and our Ministers & Sessions are urged to give their Congregations the opportunity once a year at least, to make an offering in its behalf.

Presbytery heard the report of the Committee on Peace Institute through D. Daniel, Chairman.

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Excused — Elder E. B. Ficklen was excused from further attendance on this Session of Presbytery.

Adjourn — The Presbytery then adjourned until 9:30 a.m. to-morrow.

Closed with prayer.

3d Day — Thursday, April 12. 9:30 a.m.

The Presbytery met according to adjournment and engaged in devotional exercises.

Minutes — The Minutes of yesterday & the night before were read & approved.

Excused — Elder Orren Williams was excused from further attendance after this morning's Session.

Commissioners Chosen — An election for Commissioners to the General Assembly resulted as follows:

Principal: the Rev. E. D. Brown, and Elder C. M. Brown

Alternates: the Rev. Jas. Thomas, and Elder R. B. Daniel.

The Revs. Jno. B. Morton, & R. R. Shaw, and Elder E. M.

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Brown, were appointed the permanent Com-
-mittee on Church & Christian Education,

Sessional Records

The Committee to review the records of Sessions (1st half) reported that they had examined the records of Tarboro, Grassy Creek, Geneva, Henderson Nahalah, Dover, Atkinson Memorial, Nutbush Goldsboro, LaGrange, & Louisburg Churches, and recommend their approval, with exception of LaGrange & Louisburg, which have no annual report recorded.

The report was adopted.

Narative adopted

The Committee to prepare a Narative for the General Assembly & Synod - made a report which was approved, adopted & ordered to be forwarded to these bodies. It is as follows:

There were 28 reports from our 32 Churches, and two verbal reports - and the following facts regarding the spiritual Condition of our people are collated.

1. Though the attendance upon the public worship of God is in some instances apathetic and perfunctory, as a general rule, the Congre-
-gations are encouraging, and many exhibit

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increasing evidence of desire to hear the word of Life from our Ministers.

2. The observance of Family Worship the general in a few Congregations, is rare in many, & in some is almost entirely neglected - It is mournful to reflect that many of our households may be in danger of the divine displeasure threatened "the families who call not on the name of the Lord."

3. The Holy Sabbath Day though not strictly guarded according to the law of the Lord, is observed by the majority of our Congregations.

4. The religious training of our children and youth, in so far as the discipline & doctrinal instruc-
-tion in the Sabbath Schools extend, is generally secured. Yet this sacred duty is too largely remitted by Christian Parents into the hands of the teachers in the Sabbath Schools.

5. One of the most hopeful features of our Con-
-dition is the general and conscientious effort of our people to worship God with their benevolent offerings, as also in general to meet their ob-
-ligations in paying the salaries promised their ministers.

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6. It is cheering to note that in addition to a lively degree of spiritual vitality which quickens the pulses of our churches, there have been some gracious revivals of religion, particularly under the use of extraordinary means of grace in some of our feeble churches, and mission fields. Young Memorial, Olivet, & Falkland have been richly blessed & strengthened, and similar seasons of refreshing have resulted in the organization of churches at Roanoke Rapids & at Weldon.

7. While the evils known as conformity to the world retard the usefulness of some of our people, as a rule, we have been largely delivered from these benumbing ~~influences of our holy religion~~ influences in our religious life.

8. With regard to the duty of extending the influences of our holy religion to new & neglected mission fields beyond the sphere of our immediate congregational work, there is but little encouraging to report, and unless our ministers and Elders & Church workers address themselves with renewed zeal to aggressive missionary effort, the poor & destitute adjacent to our fields of regular work will perish for lack of

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knowledge. Humbly recognizing the divine mercies and grace under the good hand of God upon us, and invoking pardon for failures in duty and help in His service, let us gratefully thank God & take courage.

Sessional Duties

The Committee on reports of Sessions on Sessional Duties made a report collating facts in these reports which was approved.

H. C. Linthicum

The Rev. A. R. Shaw, pastor of the Hendersons Church commended to the Presbytery Mr. H. C. Linthicum a member of said Church for work in the Presbytery. The following paper was adopted,

Resolved, that Presbytery give approval of labors of Mr. H. C. Linthicum of the Henderson Church and upon endorsement of the pastor and Sessions of said Church, consents to his laboring within our bounds under the direction of our Home Mission and Sunday School Committees.

The Committee appointed at the last meeting of the Presbytery (See page 104 this Vol.) to formulate a plan to secure better attendance on the Sessions of this body,

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of Elder representatives of Churches, made a report through their Chairman Mr. Saml Watkins The report was finally adopted as a whole, the ayes & noes having been called for & ordered on the first recommendation of the report with following result-

Ayes, Revs. Wharton, Walker, Brown, Pagne, Morton J.B., Shaw, Morton, W.D. Elders: Hunt, Reid, Allen, Watkins, McDonald, Savage, Webb, Bühmann, Dunniddie, Clary, & Fowle- 18

Noes: Revs. Daniel, Johnston, Farris, and Thomas- 4.

The report as adopted is as follows;

We the undersigned members of the Committee appointed to devise means looking to the securing of better attendance of Ruling Elders upon the Sessions of Presbytery, have carefully considered the matter, and respectfully submit the following.-

1st We recommend that the Presbytery of Albemarle overture the General Assembly to change the beginning of the fiscal year from April 1st to January 1st in order that the Spring Meeting of Presbytery may be held in January or February at which time business men of all callings can more conveni-

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ently attend the sessions.

2. We recommend that the parity of the teaching and ruling elder be emphasized in our Church Courts by assigning the ruling Elders more prominent positions on Committees in the consideration of the financial interests of the Church, and by appointing them to make addresses on important subjects.

3. That more time be given to devotional subject.

4. That in our judgment we should have a representative Fund to defray the expenses of Ministers and Elders to all Spring Meetings of Presbytery. said fund to be raised on the basis of the Presbyterial Assessment.

In making the foregoing recommendations we disclaim any reflection on the Ministers of our Presbytery, but commend their faithfulness in the discharge of duties imposed upon them, and the non-attendance of Elders.

Samuel Watkins
John Webb
J.M.B. Hunt Comte

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Excused

Messrs. Clary and Bühmann were excused from further attendance on this Session of Presbytery. ..

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Presbytery recedes from business until 3. P.M.

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Trial Sermon of Mr. Gilmer

3 P.M. Presbytery resumed its sitting, and heard the trial sermon of John A. Gilmer as ordered. This sermon was sustained as satisfactory part of trial. Also the popular lecture of the Candidate which was read as ordered. Mr. Gilmer's examinations were then sustained as a whole, and his licensure set for to-night at 8 o'clock.

Excursion

An invitation was received from the ladies of the Washington Church to go on an excursion to-morrow morning, which was thankfully accepted.

The auditing Committee reported on the Treasurer's Book and Accounts with approval of same. Adopted.

Home Missions Report

The report of the Ex. Committee of Home Missions was then heard - and received, but pending action on its various parts - the Presbytery recessed from business until 8 o'clock this evening.

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At 8 P.M. the Presbytery was called to order.

Call from Nutbush ch.

The Committee on Calls &c reported a call from the Nutbush Church for the pastoral services of licentiate C. P. Bradley, for one-half his time on a salary of $250.

Call accepted.

The Call having been found in order was placed in Mr. Bradley's hands and was accepted by him.

The examination of Mr. Bradley for ordination was made the second order of the day to-morrow morning.

Installation ordered.

The following Commission was appointed to install Mr. Bradley pastor of the Nutbush Church, if the way be clear, viz: Revs. C. M. Wharton and W. T. Walker, and Elders Saml Watkins & J. M. B Hunt. Said installation to take place in the first Sabbath in May.

Bible Cause

The Agent of the Bible Cause made a report which was received and approved.

Licensed

Mr John A. Gilmer was then licensed according

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to form prescribed in the Book of Church Order as a probationer for the Gospel Ministry, the Rev. A. R. Shaw presiding by request of the Moderator.

Bibles for Licentiates

The Stated Clerk was instructed to purchase Bibles for licentiates Jarvis, Bradley, and Gilmer and to present same to them in behalf of the Presbytery.

Missionary Meeting

The Presbytery then held its Missionary meeting under the auspices of the Ladies Missionary Union (in session here at this time) - the Rev. J. B. Morton presided by request of the Moderator.

Addresses were made by Revs Harries & Daniel on Foreign Missions.

Rev. A. R. Shaw expressed the gratitude of the ladies of the Union to Dr Payne and the people of the Washington Church, and also to the M. E. Church for courtesies extended to them.

The Rev. Dr. W. D. Morton spoke in the interest of Home Missions within the bounds of this Presbytery, after which a collection was taken for Missions amounting to $20.00.

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Peace Institute Report of Directors

The report of the Committee on Peace Institute previously referred to was now presented as the report of the directors of said institution for Albemarle Presbytery, read & adopted. It is as follows:

The Directors of Peace Institute appointed at the last meeting of Presbytery would respectfully submit the following report.

1. The directors are pleased to announce that Orange Presbytery has agreed to assume with Albemarle Presbytery a relation toward Peace Institute of joint supervision, advice and control; and has appointed five directors to cooperate with those from this Presbytery, in making the relation practical & effective.

2. In the judgment of the Directors, the time has come when these two Presbyteries must adopt some financial measures by which this Institution shall be able to extend its high advantages not only to the worthy but also to the young ladies of moderate means in the section of the State included within our Presbyterial lines.

3. The Directors have given earnest consideration to the question as to what would be the wisest measures for the Presbytery to adopt to this end, and have

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decided to ask authority to induce some of our strong-er churches, or groups of churches, to take scholarships for the benefit of worthy young women, to be chosen by the Sessions, with the understanding that, in consideration of the same, the President of Peace Institute will grant to these pupils the lowest possible rates.

4. The Directors have authority to say that to every pupil entering under a scholarship of $60. per session, Prof. Dinwiddie will grant the following rates: "if the girls are needy, and are deserving of help, and will room four (4) in a room, as other schools place them, he will give board, fuel, lights, and furnished room, with tuition in English studies and Languages, for ($90) ninety dollars a year with medical fee of five (5) dollars which will entitle the pupil to all medical attention of the institute physician and the attention of the trained nurse! and that one music lesson from an assistant will be given for thirty five (35) dollars additional and use of pianos for practice (5) five dollars for the year.

5. The Directors would suggest that Presbytery

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urge all our pastors and elders to consider themselves as, in some general sense, the Agents of this School, and do all within their power to influence the young wo-men of the Presbytery to avail themselves of its benefits.

E. Daniel - Chairman
J. M. Farris
A. R. Shaw
Chas. Brown.

The hearing of the trial sermon of Mr. E. P. Bradley was set for to-morrow night at 8 o'clock.

Publication

The Agent of Publication made the following brief report which was approved. Of the 31 congregations which have reported collections, only 14, or less than half, have made contributions to the cause of publication. The amount contributed by these congregations is $117.98.

Excused

The Rev. D. Daniel was excused from further attendance after to-nights session; also Messrs. Webb & Dinwiddie.

adjourns

The Presbytery adjourned to meet to-morrow morn-ing at 9:30 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

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Friday, 9:30 o'clock-

The Presbytery met according to adjournment and engaged in devotional services.

Minutes The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved-

Excused The Rev. Dr Morton was excused after this morning's session.

The Rev. W. T. Walker & Mr. J. L. Foule were appointed to audit the accounts of the treasurer of Home Missions-

Sabbath Schools The Rev. C. N. Wharton, Agent of Sabbath Schools, made a report on Sabbath Schools which was received adopted & ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly. and the following recommendations were adopted = viz:

1. That where practicable Bible institutes be held in contiguous Churches; in which methods and plans of teaching shall be discussed.

2. That a Presbyterial S. S. Institute be held at Greenville during the Fall Meeting of the

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Sabbath Schools. Presbytery, And. 3. that the matter of the Old Guard be again brought to the attention of Churches and Sabbath Schools. as an admirable plan of securing prompt & regular attendance.

The special order, i.e. examination of Mr. Bradley was suspended until 3. P. M.

Home Missions Presbytery then proceeded to consider and act upon the Home Missions Report

The treasurer of Presbytery was instructed to pay $25.00 to the Rev. J. B. Morton for past services to date.

A committee was appointed to consider the propriety of having a Presbyterial Newspaper viz: Revs. J. B. Morton & Wharton, & Elder C. M. Brown Said Committee to report to-night.

Excused Revs. Thomas & Farries, & Elder Mc Donald were excused from further attendance on this session of Presbytery.

The Committee to review Sessional Records

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(2nd half) made a report, which was docketed.

Presbytery then took recess until 3 P.M.

At 3 P.M. the Presbytery was called to order.

Enrolled — H. E. Shaw, Elder from the Atkinson Memorial Church, Kinston, was enrolled.

Home Missions Report — The Presbytery resumed consideration of the Home Missions Report, which was then adopted as a whole.

The recommendations are as follows:

Rec. 1 — 1. You Committee call attention to the fact that our Chairman has, & does hereby resign his position as Chairman & treasurer. We recommend the acceptance of his resignation, and that the Rev W. D. Morton D.D. be appointed his successor.

2 — 2. That we continue to employ Dr. Morton for his fifth Sabbaths, and that for the missionary work which he shall be able to do, & for all work which he shall do in connection with this chairmanship he shall receive $100. per an. & traveling expenses

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3 — 3. The following groupings of churches & evangelists to take charge recommended for adoption-

(1) E. P. Bradley- Nutbush $275. Shiloh $25. Grassy Creek $75. Oak Hill $150. Presbytery $75. with last only is guaranteed- Total salary- $600.

(2) Rev. H. T. Walker.- Weldon $200. R. Rapids $25. Nahalah $100. Roanoke $15. Presbytery $360. Total salary $700.

(3) Rev. C. N. Wharton - Warrenton $250. Littleton $75. Young Memil $50. Pres'y $275. Total salary $650.

(4) Rev. Jas. Thomas. Wilson $425. Strickland. $0. La Grange $150. Presbytery $175. Total $750.

(5) Rev. E. D. Brown- Atkinson Memil $350. Dover $75. Presbytery $250. Total salary- $675.

(6) Rev. Dr. Johnston- Parmele & Everetts Station $150. Falkland $50. Presbytery $200. Total $400 with $50 additional private subscription $450.

(7) J. H. Farris - Aurora $50. Presbytery $175. with special $25. from Washington Ch. Total for half his time $250.

4 — 4. We ask the Ladies' Missionary Union for $100. to be given us over & above the amount contributed

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by their several churches, and to be apportioned by their own General Secretary & President.

5. We recommend the publication of a religious newspaper to be conducted by Dr Johnston, to be issued from some point South-west of Roanoke River

6 6. The people of the Louisburg Church having secured an excellent building which must be paid for within one year from this date, we heartily commend them to the consideration of our Churches & Societies, and do hereby resolve that we will help them bear their burden.

7 7. This Presbytery overtures the Synod of North Carolina to secure the services of one of its Ministers for a part of his time to be its agent for Synodical Home Missions, rather than the plan now adopted which requires the Agent to spend the most of his time visiting the churches with the sole object of raising money for the work.

8 8. That the collection for the Assembly's Home Missions next January be retained by this Presbytery for its own work, and that a

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letter be written to Dr Craig explaining this action of our Presbytery, and showing that our destitutions are as great as those of Texas and Arkansas.

Minute of thanks

The following was unanimously adopted, viz:

Resolved, the thanks of this body are very gratefully tendered to the Rev. Jno. B. Morton, late Chairman of the Ex. Com. of Home Missions of this Presbytery, for his laborious & efficient services in the cause, & express regret that he has seen reason to resign the position in which he served the Presbytery so faithfully.

The Rev. Jno. B. Morton, was, on motion, retained as a member of the Presbyterial Committee of Home Missions.

Rev. Dr. C. M. Payne & Mr. J. L. Fowle were appointed a Committee on Calls & Supplies temporarily.

The Committee on Languages reported that they had examined E. P. Bradley on Hebrew, and

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& Latin, & would recommend that his examination be sustained as satisfactory.
The report was adopted,

The Committee on the Literary & Scientific Course made report that they had examined Mr. Bradley, & recommend that the examination be sustained as satisfactory- Adopted.

The Rev. D. Johnston by request of the Moderator examined Mr. Bradley on experimental religion & his motives for seeking the Gospel ministry- and this examination was sustained as satisfactory
The examination in Theology, Natural & Revealed Conducted by the Rev. A. R. Shaw was sustained as satisfactory.
The examination in Ecclesiastical History Conducted by the Rev. Jno. B. Morton was sustained as satisfactory.
The examination in Ch. Government, and the Sacraments, Conducted by the same was sustained as satisfactory.

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Call reported from Kinston

D. Payne, as Chairman of Committee on Calls reported a call in his hands for the pastoral services of the Rev. E. D. Brown from the Atkinson Memorial Church, for half his time on a salary of $350. per an. payable monthly.
This Call was on motion placed in the hands of Mr Brown, and was accepted by him.

Accepted

Whereupon, the following members were named a Commission to install Mr. Brown-

Committee to install

The Rev. Mr. Farries to preside and deliver the charge to the people, and the Rev J. Thomas to deliver the Charge to the pastor- Elder H. M. McDonald to act with the Commission,

Sabbath Observance

The Committee on Sabbath Observance made a report which was received, adopted, & ordered forwarded to Dr. Stacy Chairman of Assembly's Permanent Committee on the Sabbath,

The Committee to prepare a report on Systematic Benevolence presented their report. which was approved & ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

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Trial Sermon + order for Ordination

The Presbytery appointed to-night after the hearing of Mr. Bradley's trial sermon as the time for his ordination if the way be clear, the Rev. D. Johnston to preach the sermon and the Rev. E. D. Brown to preside and propound the Constitutional questions.

Time of next meeting

The time for the next stated meeting at Greenville was fixed for Tuesday before the third (3d) Sabbath in October next, the 16th inst, at 8 o' Clock P.M.

The Committee to examine the accounts of the treasurer of Home Missions reported that they had examined said accounts & find them correct, adopted.

Minutes of Synod

The Committee to examine the minutes of Synod would report that they have examined the same and find one item to which they direct the Presbytery's special attention (Page 146. Par. 4.) with reference to the Orphans Home. The Presbytery hereby directs all its Pastors and Sessions

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to give even more diligent attention to the necessities of this sacred work, & to devise liberal things for its support during the coming year. This report was adopted.

Sessional Records

The report of the 2d Committee to review Sessional Records was taken from the docket & adopted.

The Presbytery took recess until 8 P.M.

At 8. P.M. Presbytery resumed its session, the Rev. E. D. Brown presiding by appointment,

Mr Bradley ordained

Presbytery heard the sermon of licentiate E. P. Bradley from the text I Cor. 10: 13, the sermon was sustained as part of trial, and the examination of the candidate was sustained as a whole, as satisfactory. The Presbytery then proceeded to the ordination of Mr. Bradley - D. Johnston preached a sermon, the moderator E. D. Brown propounded the questions, after which Mr. Bradley was set apart to the Gospel Ministry with prayer & the laying on

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of the hands of the Presbytery after the apostolic example -

Enrolled Mr Bradley's name was then enrolled as a member of this Presbytery.

Religious newspaper The Committee on the religious newspaper made a report which was adopted & is as follows:

That D. Johnston shall be the Editor & publisher of said paper, and that he is authorized to select three members of the Presbyterian Church in the neighborhood from which the publication shall be issued. Said managers shall have control of the material interests of the paper, shall issue stock, and take other steps necessary to raise funds to carry forward the enterprise.

We pledge our moral support, & urge our people to sustain the enterprise by taking stock, & by subscribing to the paper.

Thanks A very hearty vote of thanks to the good people of Washington for their kind hospitalities & courtesies extended to Presbytery was passed

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by rising, & every body rose.

Minutes read The Minutes having been read & approved, Presbytery adjourned to meet in Greenville N.C. Tuesday before the 3d Sabbath in October next

Adjourned at 8 O'clock P.M.

Closed with prayer & the apostolic benediction.

(Signed) W. T. Walker } Clerks pro tem.
W. S. Clary }

Attest: F. H. Johnston
Stated Clerk.

Minutes

Calls Meeting

of the pro-re-nata meeting held in Henderson, N.C.

Henderson, N.C.
June 30th 1900.

Presb'y meets in Call of Moderator

The Presbytery of Albemarle met in the Presbyterian Church, this place, this morning at 10 o'clock, in compliance with the following Call of the Moderator issued the 21st June viz: "The Constitutional requirements having been complied with, I hereby call a meeting of the Presbytery of Albemarle to be held in the Presbyterian Church, Henderson, N.C. June 30th 1900, at 10 A.M. to transact the following business if the way be clear, viz:
1. To dismiss licentiate John A. Gilmer to the Presbytery of Concord, Synod of North Carolina
2. To dissolve the pastoral relation between the Rev. Wm. T. Walker and Oak Hill and Shiloh Churches.
Samuel Watkins, Moderator.

Mr. Samuel Watkins, moderator took the Chair & called the meeting to order. Which was opened with prayer

Henderson, N.C. June 30. 1900.
by the Rev. E. P. Bradley,

Present a quorum

There were present, Revs. A. R. Shaw, E. P. Bradley, & W. T. Walker, and Rul'g Elder, S. Watkins.
Rev. Mr. Walker was appointed Clerk.

Gilmer dismissed

Licentiate J. A. Gilmer requested to be dismissed to the Presbytery of Concord, as he was called to churches in that Presbytery. The request was granted, and the Stated Clerk was requested to give Mr. Gilmer a letter of dismission to said Presbytery "together with a copy of the extract of the record of his licensure and the Presbyterial recommendation."

Pastoral relations dissolved

The Rev. Wm. T. Walker offered his resignation of the pastoral charge of Oak Hill & Shiloh churches. These churches were heard from, each uniting with their pastor in asking for a dissolution. Whereupon Presbytery dissolved the relation in each case.

The Minutes of the meeting were read and approved; and Presbytery adjourned.
Closed with prayer by the Moderator.
W. T. Walker Clerk pro tem

Attest. F. H. Johnston. Stated Clerk.

Examined and approved with the following exceptions, viz:

1. There is no evidence that these records were sent up for review to the Synod of 1899.
2. On page 131 it appears that the Presbytery appointed a committee instead of a commission to organize a Church.

W D Morton — Moderator

Raleigh N.C.

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Minutes of the Twenty Third Session of the Presbytery of Albemarle.

Greenville, North Carolina

Tuesday, October 16th 1900

8 o'clock P.M.

Twenty Third Session Opening Exercises

The Presbytery of Albemarle met in the Presbyterian Church of this place according to adjournment; and was opened with a sermon by the Rev. A. R. Shaw, from the third verse of the Epistle of Jude, viz: "and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered to the saints." The sermon was preached at the request of the Moderator, Mr. Samuel Watkins, who then constituted the Presbytery with prayer.

Roll Call

The Roll was then called when the following members were found to be present, viz:

Ministers: J. H. Johnston D.D., E. Daniel D.D., E. N. Wharton, J. W. Faries, Wm. T. Walker, E. D. Brown,

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A. R. Shaw, W. D. Morton D.D., & C. P. Bradley. — 9.

Ruling Elders:

E. B. Ficklen — Greenville Church.
Samuel Watkins — Henderson "
Walter Bullock — Rutbush "
Ja's Dinwiddie — Raleigh 1st "
C. M. Brown — Washington "

— 5.

Ministers Absent: Jno. B. Morton, Ja's Thomas, & L. C. Vass.

Twenty-Eight Churches were not represented.

Moderator & clerks chosen — The Rev. F. W. Davies was elected Moderator. The Revs. Wm. T. Walker, & C. P. Bradley were chosen temporary Clerks.

Hours of meeting — The following hours were fixed for the sittings of the Court, viz: Meet at 9:30 A.M. Recess at 1. P.M. Meet at 3 P.M. Recess at will. Evening Session to begin at 7:30 P.M.

Visiting Brother — The Rev. A. D. Betts of the M. E. Church was introduced to the Presbytery, & invited to sit as a visiting brother.

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The Presbytery then adjourned until 9:30 o'clock to-morrow morning. Closed with prayer by the Moderator.

— Second Day —

Second Day — Wednesday, Oct. 17. 9:30 A.M.

The Presbytery met according to adjournment & was opened with devotional exercises conducted by the Moderator.

Minutes read — The Minutes of last night's meeting were read & approved.

The Minutes of the last States, & all intermediate meetings of the body were read for information.

Referred — The matter concerning the amount of salary from the Shiloh Church for the Rev. C. P. Bradley was referred to the Home Missions Committee.

Enrolled — Elder H. E. Shaw of the Atkinson Memorial Ch. (Kinston) was enrolled after excuse rendered for tardiness.

Standing Committees appointed. — The following Standing Committees were announced by the Moderator — viz:

On Minutes of the Gen. Assembly: E. Daniel D.D. & C. M. Brown

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On Calls & Installations: W. D. Morton D.D. & Jas. Dinwiddie

On Devotional Exercises: Rev. E. D. Brown & E. B. Fickler.

Order of Day — To-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock was appointed as the hour for hearing the report of the Agent of Sabbath Schools & to consider any matter relative to that work.

Rule suspended & ad interim Committee appointed — The Standing Rule requiring a popular meeting in the interest of Foreign Missions was suspended for this meeting.

The following Paper offered by the Rev. S. Daniel was referred to an ad interim Committee consisting of M. S. Watkins, W. D. Morton, D.D., E. Daniel D.D., Jas Dinwiddie & Rev. A. R. Shaw, for consideration & the making of suggestions as to the work to be usually done in the Fall meeting of the Presbytery: viz:

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Petition for Ch. organization — A petition signed by persons residing in Scotland Neck praying to be organized into a Church was presented & read. The prayer was granted and the following were appointed a Commission to organize a Church at said place, should the way be clear, viz:

Rev. Wm. T. Walker, Rev. F. H. Johnston D.D., Rev. W. D. Morton D.D. & Elder Orrin Williams of the Tarboro Church.

A Communication from the Church at Louisburg, inviting the Presbytery to meet there in the Spring was placed on the docket.

Order of Day — The hearing of the report of the Committee of Home Missions was appointed for 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

It was decided to have preaching at 8 o'clock this evening.

Report on Candidates — The Rev. D. Johnston, Agent of Education made a report which was received & approved & the recommendations adopted, viz:

Our candidates at present members of the Senior Class in Union Theological Seminary, namely Messrs. T. A. Watkins & T. D. Johnston having applied for financial aid, Your Agent recommends that $75. be appropriated to each of them from the Education Fund

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and that $25. additional be given Mr. Johnston if necessary.

Order of Day — To-night after divine service was fixed as the time to hear the memorial of the Rev. D. C. M. Payne, deceased.

Orphanage — In the absence of the Presbyterial Agent of the Orphan's Home - Mr. J. R. Young - the Rev. A. R. Shaw, with Elders J. Dinwiddie & S. Watkins were instructed to consider the needs of the Home, & to present such data in connection with the report of the Agent as they may deem necessary, & the time for hearing the report of this Committee was fixed as the second order of the day to-morrow morning.

Report of Commissioners to G. Assembly — The Commissioners to the last Gen. Assembly, viz: the Rev. E. D. Brown, & Elder C. M. Brown made report of their attendance &c. The reports were received, and the diligence of the Commissioners commended.

Trustees of Presbytery — The Trustees of the Presbytery made a verbal report through the Chairman, Mr. S. Watkins which was received & approved.

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Miss'l Supplies — Missionary Supplies were called upon to report when it appeared that duty had been generally performed.

Davidson College — The trustees of Davidson College made report through the Rev. C. N. Wharton - This report was referred to Messrs Wharton, W. D. Morton & J. Dinwiddie to bring in further recommendations.

Letter of sympathy to Rev. J. B. Morton — The following resolution was adopted, viz:

Resolved, that the Stated Clerk of Presbytery be instructed to write a letter expressive of tender sympathy for the Rev. Jno. B. Morton in his affliction, & that the Rev. E. W. Harries lead the Presbytery in prayer for God's blessing upon our beloved brother.

Recess taken until 3. o'clock.

After recess,

Treasurer — The Treasurer made a statement of the balances on hand in the treasury Oct 1. 1900.

Manses. — The Agent on Manses - Mr. C. M. Brown - made a report which was accepted.

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Evangelist's reports.

The several Evangelists of the Presbytery made verbal reports of their labors since the last meeting, all which were received & approved.

The Dover ch. case

The Rev. F. W. Farries who had been appointed at the last stated meeting to correspond by letter with certain members of the Dover Church in respect of their doctrinal views, made a report of his performance of the duty assigned him, when the following action was taken; That the Moderator appoint a committee to draft a letter to Mrs. Romegay in answer to hers, setting forth the deliverance of the Presbyterian Church in regard to the heresy of universalism, and to warn & caution her against this great error, & remind her that it is inconsistent for her to remain a member of the Presbyterian Church, and hold & teach said heresy. The Committee appointed to draft this letter consists of the Rev F. W. Farries, E. Daniel D.D. & E. B. Ficklen. Mr. Farries was instructed to deliver the letter in person.

Installed at Kinston

The Committee appointed to install the Rev. E. D. Brown pastor of the Atkinson Memorial Church reported the duty performed. Report approved & Comte. discharged. See this vol. page 157.

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Installed at Nutbush ch.

The Committee appointed to install the Rev. E. P. Bradley pastor of the Nutbush Church reported the duty performed. Report approved & Committee discharged — See this Vol. page 145.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises made a report which was approved.

Henderson next place of meeting

The invitation to hold the next stated meeting of Presbytery in Louisburg was taken from the docket, when Henderson was chosen as the place of the next meeting.

Recess taken until after divine worship to-night.

After recess,

Memorial of D. C. M. Payne

The Rev. Dr. Johnston offered a memorial paper of the Rev. D. C. M. Payne deceased. This paper was received & adopted. After remarks made by nearly all members present, the service was closed with prayer by Dr. Johnston, (For the Memorial See next page)

The Presbytery then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock —

Closed with prayer.

In Memoriam

Charles Montgomery Payne M.D. D.D.

In view of the solemn dispensation of the Great Head of the Church whereby he has removed from the earthly ministry to a heavenly one, our beloved Co-presbyter & brother in the bonds of the glorious Gospel of the blessed God, the Rev. Chas. M. Payne D.D. this Presbytery feels moved to make record as follows –

1st We bow in humble submission to the divine Will wh. has thus afflicted us personally & as a Presbytery, & not us alone, but the Church at large in this Synod, in the sudden passing away of this brother, who by his eminent gifts of nature & graces of the Holy Spirit, had endeared himself beyond ordinary measure to the Chs. he served during a ministry of 28 years.

2d We cherish with pleased & grateful memories, his connexion with this Presbytery, in wh. his power & success as preacher; his faithfulness as pastor & presbyter, his loyal & sympathetic fellowship with his brethren; his sweetness of temper & cheerfulness of spirit; his sincere interest in all that touched the welfare of others; and his exemplary consecration in Christian life & work were continually manifest. And while we mourn his departure as a grievous loss, we also bless the Lord & praise his name for his covenant faithfulness in raising up such men to serve His Ch. in the ministry of His Son & our Lord & Savior Jes. Christ.

3d We tender to the bereaved congregation at Washington & especially to the sore-stricken widow & children, & to the sole surviving sister of the deceased, our deepest & tenderest sympathy with them in their affliction & do commend them, one & all, to our God who sends all his waves & billows to pass over us, yet commands his loving kindness in the day time, gives us songs in the night, & brings to the sorrowing ones joy in the morning.

☞ Ordered to be spread upon the Minutes & copy sent to Session of the family & sister of the deceased.

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Third Day

Thursday, Oct. 18. 9:30 a.m.

The Presbytery met according to adjournment & was opened with devotional exercises.

Minutes read — The Minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

Com. to prepare sketch of Dr Payne — The Rev. Messrs Johnston & Shaw, with Elder C.M. Brown were appointed to prepare an extended sketch of Rev. Dr. Payne's life & labors, for preservation among the records of the Presbytery.

Order of Day — It was made the second order of the day for this afternoon to hear the report of the Agent of Colored Evangelization.

The hearing of the report of the Committee on the Minutes of the Gen. Assembly was fixed as the third order of business this morning.

Home Missions Report. — The order of the day was then entered upon, namely the hearing of the report of the Committee of Home Missions through the Chairman Rev. W. D. Morton, D.D. This report was received and adopted as a whole, after consideration & adoption seriatim of all items embraced therein.

The report is as follows:

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"1. The following minute regarding the decease of our lamented brother Rev. C. M. Payne D.D., an active member of this Committee was adopted:

As we meet to formulate our report we do so under the shadow of affliction. A beloved brother, Dr. C. M. Payne, has recently been taken from us; and while we sadly miss him, we record with profound gratitude to God our appreciation of his wise counsels & helpful services. We fondly cherish his memory, and shall earnestly seek to emulate his example in the zeal which he displayed in the promotion of our Lord's kingdom.

2. The Committee appreciates the liberal subscription of members of this Presbytery to the cause of Home Missions, which was made last Spring, amounting to $150. nearly all of which has been paid.

3. The Committee regrets that owing to various adverse circumstances, the treasury has failed to receive enough to meet the salaries due our Evangelists.

4. From all causes we have received as follows:

From the Women's Presbyterial Union ---	$ 30.75
Collection at Washington -- --	12.15
From Synod's Evangelistic treasury. ---	317.29
" Special Subscription ---	145.00
	280.28
	$ 785.47

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The treasurer has paid out to Evangelists and expenses, & old debt to Mr. J. Thomas, — — $ 798.74.

Still due our Evangelists — — — — 149.50

There is a note maturing for — — — 200.00

(paying salaries of Evangelists to last April) 13.27

(also small debt of $60. due Rev. J. N. H. Summerell) $ 357.77.

5. Under these circumstances, your Committee recommends that the pastors & sessions turn the collections for next January usually devoted to the Gen'l Assembly's Home Missions to the Presbyterial treasury, to use as much as may be needed for the unusual exigency of this work, according to the action of the Spring Meeting.

6. It has been reported to your Committee that the members of the Shiloh Church are diminished and scattered, & that the most of the residue prefer to become members of the Grassy Creek Church under existing conditions. It is recommended that Rev. E. P. Bradley & Elder Walter Bullock do visit this Church on the fifth (5th) Sunday in December, confer with them, & if they so prefer, dismiss them to Grassy Creek Church, & dissolve the Shiloh organization.

7. As the Shiloh Church does not pay the $25.00 estimated in Rev. E. P. Bradley's salary, we recommend that your Committee meet this obligation, as was indicated in

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the conditions of the contract with Rev. E. P. Bradley"

Oxford ch. The Committee appointed at the last stated meeting of Presby to confer with the Oxford Church in regard to the Reade Fund, used by said Church made report, The report was approved & the Committee continued.

Orphan's Home The Committee (see page 170) appointed to report concerning the Orphan's Home, presented a paper which was received & adopted; And it was ordered that the report & its recommendations be sent on to the Synod of North Carolina - viz:

After considering the report of Mr. J. R. Young the Presbyterial Agent of the Barium Springs Orphanage we respectfully submit the following:

1. In view of the urgent needs of the Orphanage, we would earnestly impress upon our churches the importance of a liberal contribution on next Thanksgiving Day.

2. We recommend the adoption of the following overture to the Synod of North Carolina:

(1) To advise the regents of the Orphanage to discourage the making of appeals for aid through our papers by anonymous parties.

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Orphan's Home. (2) To instruct the Board of Regents & authorities of the Orphanage to send to the Presbyterial Agents, Ministers & Sessions regular reports in regard to the work & needs of the institution.

(3) To make a more systematic effort to secure an annual income adequate to the needs of the Orphanage."

Minutes of Gen'l Assembly Rev. Dr. Daniel, Chairman of the Committee on the Minutes of the Gen'l Assembly submitted a report, which was received & pending its consideration, the Presbytery recedes from business until 3. P.M.

After recess,

Miss'y Supplies ordered - The following appointments of Missionary Supplies were ordered - viz:

The Rev. F. H. Farries	one Sabbath	at	Dover ch.
" " Jas Thomas	"	"	Strickland
" " C. N. Wharton	"	"	Washington
" " A. R. Shaw	"	"	Brookston Chapel
" " E. P. Bradley	"	"	Shiloh
" " Jno B. Morton	"	"	Scotland Neck
" " F. H. Johnston D.D.	"	"	" "
" " E. D. Brown	"	"	New Bern
" " F. H. Johnston D.D.	"	"	" "

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The Rev. E. Daniel D.D. one sabbath at Louisburg.
" " H. D. Morton D.D. " " " Strickland
" " W. T. Walker " " " Scotland Neck.
To be filled before the next stated meeting of Presb'y.

Am. Bib. Soc. A communication from the American Bible Society was read, and the attention of the Presb'y was called to the work of the Society.

Excused Rev. E. D. Brown was excused from attendance on this afternoon's session for such length of time as was necessary to conduct a burial service.

Sabbath Schools Rev. C. N. Wharton Presbyterial Agent of Sabbath Schools made a report on that subject which after consideration seriatim of its recommendations was adopted: And is as follows: 1. The Presbytery of Albemarle is in cordial sympathy with the proposed effort of enlarged Sunday School activity, & hereby endorses the Assembly's plan of having a Sabbath School Secretary.

2. That the Rev. A. R. Shaw be appointed to speak at the public meeting of Synod as invited by the Synodical Agent. The subject to be of his own choosing.

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Resigned – The Rev. C. N. Wharton offered his resignation as Agent of Sabbath Schools, which was accepted, and the Rev. W. T. Walker was chosen to fill out the unexpired term of Mr. Wharton.

The remainder of Sunday School work was suspended until after service to-night.

Excused Elder C. M. Brown was excused from further attendance upon this session of Presbytery.

Elder H. E. Shaw was excused from further attendance after this afternoon's sitting of the Court.

Order of Day The hearing of the report of the Agent of Colored Evangelization was set for the second order to-night.

Minutes of Gen'l Assembly – The unfinished business – report on Minutes of Gen'l Assembly – was resumed & finished – the report after amendment being adopted: the vote on the last recommendation by Ayes & Noes – viz:

Ayes. F. H. Johnston, E. Daniel, J. W. Farris, E. D. Brown, A. R. Shaw, H. D. Morton, E. P. Bradley, H. E. Shaw, Sam'l Watkins, Walter Bullock, & Jas. Dinwiddie.

Noes: C. N. Wharton & W. T. Walker.

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The following is the report:

1. The Committee calls attention to the recommendation on page 648, to the effect that a sermon be preached on Family Worship on the Second Sunday in October, or some other convenient day - It is ordered by Presbytery that, as far as practicable, our Ministers comply with this recommendation.

2. The Committee recommends that the Presbytery give advice & consent to the change in the Constitution respecting the quorum of Synod found on page 613.

3. That the Committee on the Hymn Book be appointed as recommended on page 630, and be composed of Wm. S. Primrose & Mrs M. P. Baumann of Raleigh; and Rev A. R. Shaw, & Mrs. J. B. Gary of Henderson.

4. That Presbytery gives full ~~consent~~ acquiescence in the doctrine of the answer to the overture respecting "Elect infants dying in infancy", which answer is found on page 614 of the Assembly's Minutes. While the Presbytery cordially approves this deliverance, & is glad that it should appear upon the Assembly's records, Presbytery would most respectfully overture the Gen'l Assembly of 1901 to rescind the resolution subsequently adopted, ordering this action to be published in every copy of the Con-

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-fession of Faith, as an "explanatory foot-note" to Chap. 10. Sec. 3. In event that the Assembly should take any step in this direction, Presb'y would submit that it can be done only by following the regular Constitutional provisions for cases of this kind.

On an overture offered by Mr. Sam'l Watkins requesting the Gen'l Assembly to send down to the Presbyteries an amendment to the Confession of Faith on the "Elect infant" clause, the Presbytery voted as follows by Ayes & Noes.

Ayes: Revs. C. N. Wharton, W. T. Walker, W. D. Morton D.D. & Sam'l Watkins, - 4

Noes: Revs Johnston, Daniel, Farries, Brown, Shaw, & Bradley. with Elders, Shaw, Bullock & Dinwiddie - 9.

Recess taken until after divine worship to-night -

After recess,

Visiting Brother.

The Rev. N. M. Watson of the M. E. Church was introduced to the Presbytery, & invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Further consideration of the Sunday School work was, on motion, discontinued for this time.

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Col'd Evang. Report. The Agent for Colored Evangelization made a report which was received & approved -

Resigned. The Rev. Wm. T. Walker tendered his resignation as Agent of Col'd Evangelization, which was accepted, and the Rev. E. P. Bradley was chosen to fill out the unexpired term of Mr. Walker.

Davidson College The Committee appointed to consider the report of the Trustees of Davidson College made a report which was received & the recommendations adopted, - viz:

1. We, the Presbytery of Albemarle respectfully recommend the advisability of a more intimate connexion between Davidson College and the Presbytery; and that the College & its interests be represented at Presbytery by members of the Faculty when practicable.

2. We request that a more general advertisement of the College be made in Eastern North Carolina through the press & otherwise - It is the sense of this Presbytery that many more young men could be induced to attend Davidson College from our midst were more strenuous efforts put forth in this direction.

The permanent Committee on Assessments & Apportionments

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Assessments & Apportionments presented a revised schedule of the same for approval. The report was adopted = The table of figures &c will appear in the printed Minutes.

Time of next Meeting. The time for the next stated meeting of the Presbytery at Henderson, was fixed for Tuesday after the second Sabbath in April 1901, at 7:30 P.M.

Adjourned Meeting at Synod Resolved, that when Presbytery adjourns it adjourns to meet in Raleigh during the sessions of the Synod, at the call of the Moderator.

Publication The Agent of Publication, Mr. Farries - made a report on that subject which was approved -

The Rev. D. Johnston was heard in regard to the Presbyterial Newspaper, & his statements were received as information.

For. Missions The Rev. D. Daniel Agent for Foreign Missions made a report, which was received & adopted & is as follows:

The Gen'l Assembly desires to raise for this cause, this year, the sum of $200.000. This fact has great significance

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For. Missions

It means that all our Churches must not only meet their apportionments in full, but exceed them as far as possible. It is urged that all our Churches bear this great cause upon their hearts with most prayerful solicitude. The average contribution of each communicant to Foreign Missions last year was $1.22. This exhibit is encouraging. It is certain that no cause in the Church awakens warmer sympathy amongst a large proportion of our membership.

The Woman's Missionary Society is looking forward to an interesting & helpful meeting in Henderson next Spring. Let all the members of the Presbytery "help those women" who are so efficiently helping us.

The Assembly has recommended that the Monthly Concert of Prayer be revived in our Churches. Whilst this may not be expedient in all cases, if this is to be at the regular prayer-meeting — still it is urged that our pastors & Sessions take the matter into serious consideration.

The Mission field in every quarter is now peculiarly full of interest. This is especially true in China, in Africa, & in the new field of Cuba. Our pastors & Churches are urged to be alive to the responsibilities of the hour.

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Thanks!

The following vote of thanks was passed by a rising, viz:

1. That it has afforded this Presbytery very high pleasure to meet once more in this beautiful Church in the lovely City of Greenville; and that the thanks of the Presbytery are warmly tendered to this Congregation for its cordial entertainment, & to the homes so graciously & liberally extending their hospitality to the members of this body, as well as to the other Churches of the City for their Christian courtesy, and to the citizens generally for kindest attention & consideration.

2. That this resolution be read from the pulpit of this Church & of other Churches in the City at the discretion of the Session.

The following paper was adopted:

Com. appointed concern' religious services at next Meeting.

In view of the fact that at the Spring meeting of Presbytery in Henderson, there is a request from the Church that there be preaching morning & night during its sessions, except on the night set apart for Home & Foreign Missions, Presbytery directs Rev. A. R. Shaw & Elder Sam' Watkins to co-operate with the State's Clerk, with a view to the publication in the docket of the names of the ministers who will preach.

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The Moderator — Mr. Sawyer — was requested to stay over and

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preach in this Church next Sunday.

Minutes read &c — The Minutes were read & approved.

Adjourned — The Presbytery adjourned to meet in Raleigh, during the Sessions of the Synod, at the call of the Moderator. Closed with prayer & the benediction by the Moderator.

(Signed) E. W. Farries, Mod.
W. T. Walker } Clerks
E. P. Bradley }

Attest: F. H. Johnston
Stated Clerk.

Minutes
of the Adjourned Meeting in Raleigh.

Raleigh, N.C. Nov. 13. 1900.

Adjourned Meeting — Pursuant to adjournment the Presbytery of Albemarle met in the first Presbyterian Church of this place, at the call of the Moderator, the Rev. E. W. Farries.

Quorum present — There were present, Rev. Messrs. Farries, Johnston, Daniel, J. B. Morton, W. D. Morton, A. R. Shaw, J. Thomas, Brown, Bradley & Walker, with Elders J. Dinwiddie of Raleigh, H. M. McDonald of La Grange, J. J. Allen of Louisburg, & J. N. Guelick of Goldsboro & T. A. Henry of New Berne.

The Presbytery was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. Rev. W. T. Walker was chosen Clerk pro tem.

D. J. recommended for S. Clerk of Synod. — The Presbytery agreed to recommend the Rev. D. Johnston to the Synod, as a suitable man for its Stated Clerk.

The following Committee was appointed to draft a paper to this end, viz: Revs. J. B. Morton, A. R. Shaw & Elder H. M. McDonald. This Committee was requested to report to the Presbytery to-morrow morning at 9 o'clk.

The Presbytery decided to meet to-morrow afternoon at

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5 o'clock to attend to other matters.

Adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

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The Presbytery met was constituted with prayer a quorum being present.

Cor. member

The Rev. P.C. Norton of Wilmington Presb'y was invited to sit with the Presbytery -

Transfer of Camm Mem'l Ch & territory W Va.

In considering a letter from Mr. E. F. Lamb of Camm Memorial Church, requesting that the Church be transferred to the Presbytery of Norfolk, Synod of Virginia, the Presbytery adopted the following overture, viz: The Presbytery of Albemarle respectfully overtures the Synod of North Carolina to consider the propriety of transferring the six counties in its territory lying north of Albemarle Sound & east of the Chowan River to the care of Norfolk Presbytery, Synod of Va.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet again during the sessions of Synod at the call of the Moderator -

Closed with prayer -

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Adj'd Meeting

The Presbytery met again at call of the Moderator. A quorum was present: & the Presbytery was constituted with prayer.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of the sessions during the meeting of Synod were read & approved.

Adjourned

The Presbytery adjourned to meet in the Presbyterian Church of Tarboro N.C. on Tuesday, December 18th at 3 P.M.

Closed with prayer.

(Signed) Wm. T. Walker Ch'n Pro tem

Attest: F. H. Johnston
Stated Clerk.

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The Presbytery of Albemarle met according to adjournment, this day at 3 o'clock P.M. the meeting being held in the Presbyterian Manse.

The last Moderator, present the Rev. Jno B. Morton, took the Chair & constituted the Presbytery with prayer.

There were present, Ministers: the Rev. F. H. Johnston, D.D.; Rev. Jno B. Morton, & the Rev. W. D. Morton D.D. Ruling Elders: Geo. Howard, Tarboro ch.; C. M. Brown, Washington Ch.; M. T. Savage, Nahalah ch. & W. L. Groom, Rocky Mount Ch.

The Revs. Messrs. J. N. H. Summerell, of the Presbytery of South Carolina, and H. S Bradshaw of the Presbytery of Orange, being present were invited to sit as corresponding members.

These brethren having presented testimonials of their good standing in their respective Presbyteries, & of their dismission with a view to

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uniting with this Presbytery, these papers were read and received; And these brethren after having sustained, each of them, a satisfactory examination as required by our law, were admitted to membership in this body, and their names enrolled.

A call from the Church at Washington for the pastoral services of the Rev. Mr. Summerell was read, and placed in his hands, and accepted by him. Whereupon, by unanimous consent the Rev. F. H. Johnston D.D. and the Rev. Jno B. Morton were appointed to install Mr. Summerell pastor of the Washington Church on the fifth Sabbath (30th day) of this month.

A call from the Church at New Bern for the pastoral services of the Rev. H. S. Bradshaw was read found in order & placed in Mr. Bradshaw's hands who signified his acceptance of the same. On motion which was adopted, the Rev. Messrs. F. W. Farries & E. D. Brown were appointed to install Mr. Bradshaw pastor of the New Bern Church at a time hereafter to be agreed upon by the Church.

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and the Committee.

A report from the Commission appointed to organize a church at Scotland Neck was read and approved, and ordered to be engrossed in the Minutes, and the name of the Church placed upon the roll.— The report is as follows:

Scotland Neck N.C.—

November 27. 1900.

The Commission consisting of the Rev. Messrs Walker Johnston, & W. D. Morton, with Elder Orren Williams of Tarboro, N.C. appointed by Albemarle Presbytery to organize a church at Scotland Neck, met at Scotland Neck this morning at 11 o'clock.

All the members of the Commission were present.

The meeting was constituted with prayer.

Mr. Williams was appointed Clerk.

Testimonials were received from nine persons already members of the Church, and there were then constituted a Church according to the manner prescribed in the Book of Church Order. Par. 27.

Mr. Colin Gray was elected & installed an Elder in the said Church according to the manner prescribed in the Book, Par. 112.

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The Commission recommends that the Church be known as the Scotland Neck Presbyterian Church.

The Minutes were read, and approved by the Commission, when the meeting adjourned, being closed with prayer.

Wm. T. Walker, Chairman

Rev. E. P. Bradley was appointed to serve on the 2d Committee of the Committees for the Examination of Candidates.

The Rev. H. S. Bradshaw was appointed on the fourth Committee, vice the Rev. A. S. Caldwell, removed.

The Rev. Messrs. W. D. Morton D.D.; and J. N. H. Summerell were appointed on the fifth Committee, to supply the vacancies caused by the death of the Rev. D. Payne, and the removal of the Rev. D. G. L. Leyburn.

The Presbytery then considered the matter of the 20th Century Fund as formulated by the Synod at Raleigh in November— After deliberation the following action was taken by unanimous concurrence

Resolved. 1st This Presbytery places itself heartily in accord with the Synod's action on the 20th Century Fund, and accepts the ratio of distribution of that Fund adopted by the Synod.

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2. That the Rev. Messrs A. R. Shaw and J. N. H. Summerell are hereby appointed a Presbyterial Committee to superintend the Collection of Moneys, and their appropriation pro rata according to the Synod's plan, and to arrange all necessary details of the work.

3. That such moneys as remain to be applied to the founding and support of Schools in the bounds of the respective Presbyteries, shall be applied in this Presbytery, if need be, in part to such Presbyterian institutions as are already in existence in its bounds; but particularly to the establishment and support of Schools in the more destitute fields of the Presbytery in connexion with our Home Missionary Work.

The Rev. D. Johnston, Rev. Jno. B. Morton & Elder Geo. Howard were appointed as Managers for the religious newspaper as determined by the Presbytery at the last Spring Meeting, (See Page 160 this Vol.) with directions to report to the next Stated Meeting.

The Minutes were read and approved. And the Presbytery adjourned to meet in Henderson next April at the appointed time. Closed with prayer.

Attest: F. H. Johnston. Stated Clerk.

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at Tarboro N.C.

At the Manse, Tarboro N.C.
3 P.M. March. 19. 1901.

The Presbytery of Albemarle met here today, under the following call of the Moderator, viz;

Goldsboro N.C. March 8. 1901.

The constitutional requirements having been complied with, I hereby call a meeting of Albemarle Presbytery, to be held at Tarboro, N.C. March 19, 1901. at 3 o'clock P.M. to transact the following business:

To act on the resignation of Rev. William T. Walker, of the Weldon group of Churches.

2. To dismiss Mr Walker to Fayetteville Presbytery, if the way be clear.

F. H. Harris - Moderator

The Rev. Jno B. Morton, last Moderator, present, took the Chair, and constituted the meeting with prayer.

Present, Ministers: F. H. Johnston, W. T. Walker, J. B. Morton, and W. D. Morton,

Ruling Elders: Geo. Howard, Tarboro; M. T. Savage, Nahalah, and S. K. Fountain, Rocky Mount.

The Rev. Wm T. Walker resigned his evangelistic field made up of the Weldon group of Churches, and asked to be disc

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=missed to join the Presbytery of Fayetteville, having indi=
=cated his desire to accept calls from Churches in its bounds.
Upon a motion that his resignation be accepted, and
the request granted, after careful deliberation, and hearing
of both sides, it was accepted, to take effect on the 19th of April
next; during which interval, provision may be made for the
supply of the Weldon field, and that the work at certain points
may not suffer damage from the want of unremitting at=
=tention needed just at this time.

On motion, the dismission of Mr. Walker to Fayetteville
Presbytery, was deferred until the regular meeting at Hend=
=erson, April 16th.

Presbytery then adjourned with prayer.

(Signed) John B. Morton, Moderator.

F. H. Johnston, Stated Clerk.

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Minutes
of the Twenty fourth Session of the Presbytery of Albemarle.

Henderson N. C. April 16, 1901.
8 o'clock P. M.

The Presbytery of Albemarle met, according to adjournment, in the Presbyterian Church, this place and time, and was opened with a sermon by the Moderator, Rev. F. H. Harris, from Acts XIII. 36: "For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep"; after which Presbytery was constituted with prayer.

The roll was called, and the following members found present:

Ministers.— F. H. Johnston D.D., C. N. Wharton, F. W. Harris, W. T. Walker, J. B. Morton, W. D. Morton, D.D., E. D. Brown, H. R. Shaw, E. P. Bradley, J. A. H. Summerell and H. S. Bradshaw.
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Ruling Elders - J. H. Jarvis, Aurora Church; O. B. Eleanor, Brookston Chapel; A. G. Clement, Geneva; C. L. Lewis, Grassy Creek; J. R. Moore, Greenville; S. Watkins, Henderson; H. E. Dillar, La Grange; J. L. Tate, Littleton; R. A. Bullock, Nutbush; F. B. Daniel, Oak Hill; Julius Lewis, Raleigh; W. S. Clary, Rocky Mount, and John B. Sparrow, Washington.

The Rev. J. N. H. Summerell was chosen Moderator, and the Rev. E. D. Brown and Elder J. B. Sparrow were chosen Clerks.

The following hours of meeting were fixed:
Morning session, 9:30 to 12 m. Recess of fifteen minutes, after which preaching service.
Afternoon session, 3 to 5.30 P. M.
Night session, begin at 8 o'clock and adjourn at will.
Presbytery resolved to hold no session Wednesday afternoon, giving the time to committee work.
Adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9.30 o'clock.
Closed with prayer.

Second Day.
Wednesday April 17, 1901, 9.30 A. M.
The Presbytery met, and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by the Moderator.

The minutes of last nights session were read and approved.
The reading of the minutes of last stated sessions was dispensed with.
The minutes of a called meeting at Tarboro were read.

The Rev. John E. Wool, of the Presbytery of Abingdon, was invited to sit as a corresponding member, and introduced to the Presbytery.
The following standing committees were appointed, viz.:
1. Narrative - J. B. Morton, J. B. Sparrow, O. B. Eleanor.
2. Systematic Benevolence - H. S. Bradshaw, E. D. Brown, W. S. Clary.
3. Sabbath Schools - W. T. Walker, J. H. Jarvis.
4. Young Peoples Societies, etc - W. D. Morton.

R. A. Bullock.
5. Sessional Duties - C. H. Wharton, R. B. Daniel.
6. Calls and Installations. - T. H. Johnston, A. G. Clement.
7. Treasurer's Report and Account. - J. R. Moore, H. E. Dillon.
8. Minutes of Synod. - T. W. Farries, Julius Lewis.
9. Sessional Records. - First half, C. H. Wharton, C. L. Lewis; second half, E. P. Bradley, J. L. Tate.
10. Devotional Exercises. - A. K. Shaw, S. Watkins.

The Rev. T. J. B. Hoover, of the M. E. Church, was introduced, and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

A call for the pastoral services of Rev. E. P. Bradley from the Oak Hill Church was presented, read, and referred for examination to the Committee on Calls and Installations.

Licentiate J. H. Jarvis made a verbal report of his labors for the past year.

Rev. T. W. Farries brought in a report on the Dover Church case, action on which was deferred until the Rev. Dr. Daniel, a member of the committee, could be heard from.

The report of the Treasurer was read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Treasurer's Report and Accounts. (See Appendix, III.)

The report of the Agent of Education was read and approved, and recommendations adopted as follows:

Your Agent submits his report on the candidates of this Presbytery, and the Cause of Education for the Ministry, as follows:

"There are three candidates on the roll. These are Messrs. Watkins and Johnston, students in the senior class of Union Theological Seminary, and Mr. Eugene C. Caldwell, a teacher in Hoge Academy, at Blackstone, Va. Messrs. Watkins and Johnston will have completed their full theological course of study at the close of the present session of the Seminary, May 8, 1901. They have maintained their standing of heretofore as students and men of Christian character during their last year, and both have accepted fields of labor. They ask for an opportunity of presenting themselves

for licensure during the last week in May. Your Agent proposes that the Presbytery name Tarboro as the place, and Tuesday, the 20th of May, at 3 P.M., as the time for a meeting for their examination and licensure, if the way be clear, and for the transaction of any other business that may come before the Presbytery.

Mr. Caldwell has informed your Agent of his purpose to enter Union Seminary next fall for a full three years' course.

"The appropriations allowed this year to Messrs. Watkins and Johnston, namely $175 for both, have been paid. Your Agent recommends that $100 be allowed Mr. Caldwell for his first year in the Seminary. The churches generally have contributed to this cause, but have not all come up to the amounts apportioned to them. Since the first of October the receipts to this cause, which have come into the Treasurer's hands, amount to $17.73, contributed by fourteen churches.

"It is well known to the Presbytery that

there has been, and continues to be, a falling off in candidates for the ministry for the last three or four years. We have received none in that time, and now have but one left, after the two at present in the Seminary are licensed.

"The reasons for this falling off, which appears to be general throughout the church, we do not stop to inquire into here, but whatever the cause, the fact itself calls for alarm, anxiety and earnest prayer, with corresponding effort to seek and apply the remedy.

"Your Agent ventures to recommend to the Presbytery:

"1. That the day of prayer for the youth gathered in our colleges and other schools be observed faithfully by all our ministers and people as recommended by the General Assembly.

"2. That our ministers preach during the ensuing year on the subject of the Christian Ministry, and especially on such phases of it as the importance of it, the need of its

the call to it, the glory of it.
"3. That we seek opportunity for bringing the subject personally and privately to the attention of pious young men of promising talent, of our acquaintance; also to impress upon Christian parents, their high privilege of dedicating their sons to the Lord to be ministers of the gospel.

"Respectfully submitted,
"F. H. Johnston, Agent of Education."

The commissions appointed to install the Rev. J. N. H. Summerell pastor of Washington Church, and the Rev. H. S. Bradshaw pastor of the New-Bern Church, respectively, reported duty performed, the first on the fifth Sabbath of December, 1900, and the second on the second Sabbath in January, 1901.
The following were nominated commissioners to the General Assembly:
Ministers.—F. W. Farries and J. B. Morton.
Elders.—H. E. Shaw, S. Watkins, Julius Lewis and L. R. Moore.

The missionary supplies ordered at the last meeting being called upon, reported duty performed.
Warrenton was chosen as the place of the next Stated Meeting of Presbytery.
Ordered that an adjourned meeting of Presbytery be held at Oxford, N. C., at 8 P. M., on Friday before the first Sabbath in May.
After fifteen minutes' recess, Presbytery attended a preaching service conducted by Rev. C. N. Wharton, after which recess was taken until 8 o'clock this evening.

8 o'clock P. M.

Presbytery met and heard a sermon by the Rev. J. B. Morton.

Ruling Elders H. E. Shaw, of Atkinson Memorial Church; J. L. Henderson, of Warrenton; John Webb, of Oxford, and D. F. Farris, of New-Bern, appeared, and were enrolled.

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Revs. H. M. Tuttle, of the M. E. Church, and J. S. Williams, of the M. P. Church, were introduced and invited to sit as visiting brethren.

The Rev. A. J. McKelway, D.D., of Mecklenburg Presbytery, and Rev. E. E. Gillespie, of Orange Presbytery, were also introduced to the Presbytery, and invited to sit as corresponding members.

Presbytery then heard Dr. McKelway in the interests of the Presbyterian Standard.
A committee, consisting of Rev. A. R. Shaw and Elder D. T. Jarvis, was appointed to bring in a minute relative to this address later on in session.

The committee to audit the Treasurer's account, etc., submitted the following report, which was adopted:
"We have the honor respectfully to report that we examined the account and vouchers of the Treasurer, and find them to be correct.
"We find in the Representative's Fund the

amount of $99. Expenses, so far as reported, to be $81.07, so that it seems ample to pay for this year at least, and we recommend for the future a continuance of the same plan.
"We also recommend that the Treasurer buy a new book for these accounts.

J. R. Moore,
H. E. Gillon, Committee.

The committee to review the minutes of Synod made a report, which was received as information.
Friday morning at 10 o'clock was appointed as the time to hear the Committee on the Twentieth Century Fund.
The report of the Committee on the First Half of Sessional Records was read and adopted.

The report of Committee on the Second Half of the Sessional Records made partial report, which was approved.
The records of the Raleigh Church for last year were referred to this Committee for

examination.
Tuesday, September 17th, at 7:30 P.M., was fixed as the time for next meeting.
Presbytery then adjourned till tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock. Closed with prayer.

Third Day.

Thursday, April 18, 1901, 9:30 A.M.
Presbytery met, and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by the Rev. E. E. Gillespie.
The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

Rev. Dr. J. D. Mufham, of the Baptist Church, was introduced to the Presbytery, and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

The report of the Agent of the Bible Cause, Dr. Mortar, was heard, and the following recommendations adopted:

"1. That in order to the increase of interest in this work, we recommend this cause with earnestness to all of our congregations.
"2. That our pastors be requested to devote a suitable hour to the purpose of laying before their respective congregations the history, the noble work, and the necessities of the American Bible Society.
"3. That renewed emphasis be laid upon the obligation to give the congregations of our Presbytery an opportunity in the month of October to contribute to this cause, as as already ordered by our higher church courts."

The Committee on the Second Half of the Sessional Records completed their report, and it was approved as a whole.
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The Committee on Reports of Sessions on Sessional Duties made a report, which was adopted ...

It was made the order of the day to hear the report of the Executive Committee of Home Missions at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Commissioners were then elected to the General Assembly as follows:
Principals.- Rev. F. W. Farries and Elder R. E. Shaw.
Alternates.- Rev. J. B. Morton and Elder J. R. Moore.

The committee to whom was referred the address of Dr. McKelway, editor of the Presbyterian Standard, brought in the following, which was adopted:
"Presbytery has heard with deep interest the remarks of Dr. McKelway, and rejoices in the assurance that the paper is now on a firm financial basis.
"We would urge our people, so far possible to comply with Dr. McKelway's liberal proposition to send the Presbyterian Standard to new subscribers till January, 1902, for the sum of $1."

Excused after this morning's session, Ruling Elders Julius Lewis, C. L. Lewis, H. E. Dillon, F. B. Daniel and D. T. Jarvis.

The following was adopted:
"Upon a statement by Rev. W. D. Morton of the necessities of the Louisburg congregation for funds to meet obligations in purchase of the Baptist church at Louisburg for a Presbyterian house of worship—
"Resolved, 1. To commend to the Executive Committee of Synodical Home Missions, this cause with the view of effecting a loan of ~~to visit any churches of this Presbytery to raise funds~~ $200 of the Alexander Bequest Fund for this ~~to the extent of $100 to the same end, provided~~ purpose. ~~These contributions do not interfere with the regular Home Mission apportionment of the churches~~."
Resolve, 2.- To authorize the Rev. W. D. Morton, chairman of Presbyterial Home Missions, to visit any churches of this Presbytery to raise funds to the extent of $100 to the same end provided these contributions do not interfere with the regular Home Mission apportion-

ment of the churches."
Ordered that the present Stated Clerk be authorized to draw upon the Presbyterial Fund, if necessary, for his travelling expenses to meetings of Presbytery.

On motion, a revision of the Manual of Presbytery was referred to a committee consisting of Rev. F.H. Johnston, D.D., Rev. J. N. K. Summerell, Rev. J. B. Morton an Elders C. M. Brown and George Howard.

After fifteen minutes recess, Presbytery met to attend divine worship, with preaching by the Rev. H. S. Bradshaw; after which recess was taken until 3 P. M.

3 o'clock P. M.

Presbytery resumed its sessions.
Rev. E. Daniel, D.D., and Rev. James Thomas appeared, and were enrolled.

Elder John Bell was excused from farther at-

tendance upon Presbytery.

The Committee on Calls and Installations reported that the call for the pastoral services of Rev. E. P. Bradley from the Oak Hill Church was in order, and recommended that it be placed in his hands. Adopted.

The Sessional Records of Wilson and La-Grange Churches were approved.

The Presbyterial Report on Sabbath-schools was presented, read, approved and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

The Rev. W. T. Walker resigned the agency of Sabbath-schools, and the Rev. J. B. Morton was chosen to fill out the unexpired term.
The commission to visit Shiloh Church, appointed at the last meeting, made a report, upon which the committee was continued.

The narrative was adopted and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly and Synod.

The principal delegate of the Henderson Church, Mr. Samuel Watkins, having been prevented from attending by sickness, Mr. J. R. Black, the alternate, was enrolled in his stead.

The chairman of the Presbyterial Committee of Home Missions then made his report, and the recommendations therein adopted, as follows:

"1. That all our churches be directed to form Ladies' Home Mission Societies for the purpose of aiding feeble churches, and undertaking new work.

"2. That our church sessions and Sunday-school officers be requested to appoint the second Sunday in December of every year as a Home Mission Day, and that at that time the cause of Home Missions be presented to our children and youth, and they be requested to contribute to its aid.

"3. That for the purpose of aiding our feeble congregations in erecting houses of worship, we heartily recommend the action of the Synod at its last meeting, commending the Chandler (which with us is known as the Twentieth Century Building Fund) Building Fund; we urge our pastors and evangelists to present this scheme to the people, and use their efforts to secure subscribers to this fund.

"4. Church grouping for 1901-1902, evangelists and salaries:

1. Kuthush Group.- Rev. E. P. Bradley, Evangelist.

Kuthush, to raise for salary, - - -	$275.00
Grassy Creek, to raise for salary, " "	75.00
Oak Hill, to raise for salary " "	150.00
Presbytery and Synod, to raise for salary	100.00
	$600.00

2. Weldon Group- To be supplied.

Weldon, to raise for salary,	$150.00
Wahalah, to raise for salary,	75.00
Roanoke Rapids, to raise for salary	50.00
Scotland Neck, to raise for salary	35.00

The narrative was adopted and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly and Synod.

The principal delegate of the Henderson Church, Mr. Samuel Watkins, having been prevented from attending by sickness, Mr. J. R. Black, the alternate, was enrolled in his stead.

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Roanoke Rapids, to raise for salary	50.00
Scotland Neck, to raise for salary	35.00

Roanoke, to raise for salary. $15.00
Presbytery and Synod, to raise for salary. 375.00
$700.00

3. Warrenton Group.- Rev. C. K. Wharton, Evangelist.
Warrenton, to raise for salary, $250 00
Young Memorial, to raise for salary 50 00
Littleton, to raise for salary. 100 00
Presbytery and Synod, to raise for salary. 250 00.
— $650 00

4. Kinston Group.- Rev. E. H. Brown, Evangelist.
Atkinson Memorial, to raise, $350 00
Dover, to raise 75.00
Presbytery and Synod, to raise. 250 00
$675.00

5. Wilson Group.- Rev. James Thomas, Evangelist.
Wilson, to raise for salary. $400.00
La Grange, to raise for salary. 150.00
Presbytery and Synod, to raise for salary. 200.00
750.00

6. Parmele Group.- Rev. T. H. Johnston, D.D., Evangelist.
Parmele, with Everett Station, to raise for salary, $150.00
Falkland, to raise for salary. 50.00
Aurora, to raise for salary. 50.00

Presbytery and Synod, to raise for salary. $350.00
$600 00

7. Hyde County.- James H. Jarvis, Licentiate.
8. General Evangelistic Work by Dr. W. A. Morton on fifth Sabbaths, $50.00.

At his own request, the Rev. A. R. Shaw was released from serving on the Committee on the Twentieth Century Fund, and the Rev. H. S. Bradshaw was appointed, who, together with the Rev. Mr. Summerell, constitute the said committee.
Presbytery granted permission to Rev. W. T. Walker to petition the Synod's Committee of Home Missions to give $200, and to loan $300 of the Alexander Gift and Loan Fund for the erection of the Weldon Church.

The Auditing Committee reported that they had examined the accounts of the Treasurer of Home Missions, and found them correct, and the report was adopted.

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Messrs. J. H. Jarvis, J. R. Moore, H. E. Shaw, John Henderson, and W. S. Clary were excused after Friday morning.

8 o'clock P. M.

At this hour, under the auspices of the Ladies' Missionary Union, a popular meeting was held in the interest of Missions.
Addresses were made, after suitable devotional exercises, by Messrs. James Thomas, H. S. Bradshaw, J. B. Morton, E. E. Gillespie, and Dr. W. D. Morton.
A collection amounting to $32.54 was taken, and divided equally between Home and Foreign Missions.

The report of the Ladies' Union was ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes as information. (See Appendix, I.)

Rev. W. P. Constable, of the M. E. Church, was introduced, and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock. Closed with prayer.

Fourth Day.

Friday Morning, April 12, 1901.

Presbytery met, and devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. James H. Jarvis.

The minutes of Yesterday's sessions were read and approved.
It was ordered that the minutes of this meeting be published as soon as possible.

A communication from the Regents of the Orphanage was read and referred to a committee consisting of Rev. G. P. Bradley and Elder G. B. Eleanor to report later in the day.

The Committee on Young People's Societies made a report, which was approved, and the statistical part ordered to be printed in the Appendix. (See Appendix, II.)

The Committee on the Twentieth Century Fund made a report, which was received, and, after discussion, adopted, as follows:

"Whereas, the General Assembly has recommended the raising of one million dollars for the cause of education, and the Synod of North Carolina has undertaken to raise three hundred thousand dollars of this amount, and, whereas, the Presbytery of Albemarle has formally accepted Synod's ratio, viz: $125,000 for Davidson College, $55,000 for Union Seminary, Virginia; $100,000 for the schools and colleges under care of the Presbyteries, and $25,000 for the Assembly's treasury—

We recommend the following:

"1. That the thorough canvass of our churches begin as early in May, 1901, as practicable.

"2. That our pastors be urged to co-operate heartily with the canvassers.

"3. That subscriptions to this fund be made payable in one, two, three, four, and five years.

"4. That duties to be performed by this Presbyterial Committee be those recommended by Synod, which are as follows:

"(1.) This committee shall initiate, superintend and control all canvassing for the Twentieth

Century Fund in the Presbytery.

"(2.) In this work they shall freely avail themselves of suitable canvassers, pastors, laymen, officers of educational institutions, etc., and shall be empowered to put a salaried agent in the field should they deem it desirable.

"(3.) They should keep full records of all subscriptions, conditions of payment, etc., canvassers forwarding one copy of them, and leaving one with the church treasurer for collection.

"(4.) This committee shall act as treasurer of all funds collected, receiving them from canvassers or church treasurers, and shall disburse them to the proper institutions.

"(5.) They shall be empowered to reimburse canvassers, speakers, etc., for necessary travelling expenses, should such reimbursement be desired.

"(6.) They shall submit to each meeting of Presbytery a full report of all work done, and shall, previous to each meeting of Synod, forward to Synodical Committee a condensed report of same.

"(7) They shall keep the progress of the campaign prominently before the people by full reports to the church and secular papers, especially to the Presbyterian Standard."

Elder R. E. Shaw was added to the Presbyterial Committee on Twentieth Century Fund.

The following missionary supplies were appointed:

Rev. J. B. Morton, one Sabbath,	Macclesfield & Scotland Neck.
Rev. J. R. Johnston, one Sabbath,	Swan Quarter.
Rev. J. R. H. Summerell, one Sabbath,	Aurora,
Rev. W. D. Morton, one Sabbath,	Enfield.
Rev. J. W. Farries, one Sabbath,	Strickland.
Rev. C. R. Wharton, one Sabbath,	Roanoke Rapids & Weldon.
Rev. E. D. Brown, one Sabbath,	Ayden.
Rev. E. P. Bradley, one Sabbath,	Shiloh.
Rev. E. Daniel, one Sabbath,	Louisburg.
Rev. R. S. Bradshaw, one Sabbath,	Dover.
Rev. James Thomas, one Sabbath,	Enfield.

The Agent of Sabbath schools made the following report, which was adopted, viz:

"From the sessional reports sent to Presbytery we get the following data;

Number of schools reported,	24.
Number of teachers on roll,	228.
Number of scholars on roll,	1,393
Total number on roll,	1,621
Average attendance of teachers,	159
Average attendance of scholars,	801
Total average,	960
For current expenses,	$555.68
Other objects	635.19
Total	$1,190,87

"Number of scholars added to the communion 35. In only two schools is there any report of special religious interest during the year.

"Only two schools report that they have teachers' meetings, and they only partially.

"It is recommended—

"1. That effort be made to secure a more vital interest in the salvation of the children in our schools.

"2. That teachers' meetings be held in every school where it is possible.

"The following persons are reported as having attended every Sabbath during the year all in the Young Memorial Church – viz: Austin Spain, Lizzie Watkins, Mary Watkins, Clardy Watkins, Mrs. J. N. Bullock."

The Rev W. T. Walker was, at his own request, granted a letter of transfer to the Fayetteville Presbytery, and the Stated Clerk was directed to write a letter expressing the Presbytery's appreciation of his services, and regret at his departure.

The Agent of Sabbath Observance made a report, which was adopted, and ordered forwarded to the Assembly's Permanent Committee on that subject.

The following vote of thanks was adopted:
"Resolved, That the cordial thanks of Presbytery are hereby extended to the people

of Henderson for their matchless hospitality in opening to us their homes and their houses of worship, and to the railroads, whose managements have granted us reduced rates."

Rev. C. H. Wharton and Elder J. L. Tate obtained leave of absence after this morning's sessions.

After fifteen minutes' recess, Presbytery engaged in religious services, and heard a sermon from the Rev. James Thomas.

Recess to 3 P.M.

3 o'clock P.M.

After recess the Committee on Calls and Installations reported, recommending that the Rev. Mr. Bradley, having accepted the call from the Oak Hill Church, the Rev. A. R. Shaw and Elder J. M. B. Hunt be appointed to install him on the fifth Sunday in June.

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The Committee on the Communication from the Regents of the Orphanage presented the following, which was adopted:

"1. That we learn with great pleasure of the health of the teachers and orphans, and of the progress of the children in their studies, and in their moral, religious, and industrial training, and also of the improvements which have been made in the buildings and grounds.

"2. That we learn with regret that at this time, when the treasury is usually the fullest, there is money for only one month's support, and there will be three months before anything can be realized from the June collection. In view of this fact we would make the following recommendations:

"(1) That this Presbytery urge upon Sabbath-school Societies and individuals who have pledged monthly contributions, to be faithful and punctual in taking up and forwarding these contributions, and in making them as liberal as possible.

"(2) That our pastors and superintendants of

churches and schools, not hitherto contributing, arrange for a monthly contribution as soon as practicable.

"(3) That during these spring and early summer months, when contributions in money are so small, our people be urged to make contributions in provisions, which will be as helpful as the cash."

The Stated Clerk was granted permission to get out special blank forms for the use of the standing committees.

The report on Systematic Beneficence was presented, read, adopted, and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

The Committee on the Dover Church case reported progress, and asked for counsel and advice, which was given, and the committee directed to communicate with the parties, and report at the adjourned meeting in Tarboro, May 28th. ...

The matter of a religious newspaper was docketed until the Fall Meeting.
Recess until 8 o'clock P.M.

8 o'clock P.M.

After recess, Presbytery heard a sermon by the Rev. J.N.H. Summerell, after which the minutes were read and approved, and Presbytery adjourned to meet in Oxford at 8 P.M. Friday before the first Sabbath in May.
Closed with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction.

J.N.H. Summerell, Moderator.

E.D. Brown, } Clerks.
John B. Sparrow, }

Attest: F.H. Johnston, Stated Clerk.

Appendix.

The Narrative forwarded to the General Assembly and to the Synod of North Carolina, for the year ending March 31, 1901.

1st The attendance upon the services of the Sanctuary has been good especially is this true of the morning service and by our own members. There are not many churches however which mention the fact of a smaller attendance at night than in the morning and several indicate a good attendance on the part of others than our members.

2nd Family worship is sorely neglected. In seven or eight of our smaller churches there seem to be no families who observe it and in two or three of our larger churches there is total ignorance as to the facts in the case. But in most of our churches there are some who lead their families to God in worship.

3rd Almost all of our churches report commendable fidelity in the Observance of the

Lords day yet there are modified and various ideas as to how the sabbath ought to be observed and how the questions with reference to its observance ought to be answered.

4th The training of Youth and Children in Home and Sabbath schools has received commendable attention in all of our churches ten of which report the work faithfully done at home and at school.

There are some whose reports indicate that this work is too much turned over by the parents to the Sabbath-school teacher.

5th The fidelity of our people in worshiping God with their substance is almost invariably good, some of the churches contributing an average of $15. per. member.

6th The amount promised to each minister is almost invariably fully, if not promptly paid, and in the large majority of our churches it is both fully and promptly paid.

7th The large majority of our churches report no special evidences of religious life, but

several of them note an abiding and growing interest in these matters and some of them report revivals of religion.

8th The question with relation to worldly conformity present the fact that none of our churches are free from it yet none are wholly given up to it.

9th 21 of our churches report that they are doing no Evangelistic work outside of their own congregations. 5 report that they are engaged in such work. One of these five reports a revival of religion at its chapel. The others make no report.

II. Report of Ladies' Presbyterial Missionary Union.

Summary of Reports Sent to Ladies' Missionary Union.

April, 1900, to April, 1901.

Number of societies reported,	15.
Number members of Foreign Missionary Societies,	354.
Number members of Home Missionary Societies,	144.
	498
Number of Foreign Missionary Magazines taken,	105.
Number of Children's Missionary Magazines taken,	44
	149

Amounts Raised.

	Orphan's Home	Home	Foreign	not specified
Tarboro Church,				$31.61
Young People,	$26.00	5.00	5.00	
Grassy Creek,				9.00
Rocky Mount,		10.00	10.00	
Raleigh,		32.80	100.00	
Special,		62.01	55.05	
Peace Institute Auxiliary,			25.01	
Busy Bee Band, Raleigh,			40.00	
Goldsboro,				21.40
Young Memorial,			55.00	
Washington,		22.00	47.00	

	Orphan's Home	Home	Foreign	not specified
Atkinson Memorial,				
Young People,			7.91	
Ladies,				17.09
Henderson, Ladies,		2.10	47.79	
Girls Band,		69.49		
Washington, Young People,		9.10	21.35	
Oxford, Ladies,				52.00
Collection last night,		16.27	16.27	
	$26.00	$228.67	$430.38	$131.10

Special amount raised and sent to Dr Norton, 89.00

Total, $317.00

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Jones M. Spencer, Cor. Sec.,

Ladies' Missionary Union.

III. Summary of Report on Young Peoples and other Societies.

There are within the bounds of the Presbytery thirteen Young Peoples' Societies organized and thirty for other classes in our congregations. Following is an approximately accurate table of amount contributed in the aggregate by the societies of each church to various benevolent objects:

Church	No. of Societies.	No. of Members.	Contributed
Atkinson Memorial,	2.	21.	$44.71
Cann Memorial,	3.	39.	11.10
Grassy Creek,	1.	15.	11.00
Henderson,	5.	112.	176.62
Hurbush,	1.		
Oxford,	3.	20.	140.66
Rocky Mount,	2.	35.	95.50
Raleigh,	8.	119.	974.13
Roanoke Rapids,	1.	8.	6.00
Scotland Neck,	1.	14.	7.00
Tarboro,	1.	22.	36.00
Warrenton,	2.	19.	49.65
Washington,	9.	185.	171.93

Church	No. of Societies.	No. of Members.	Contributed
Weldon,	1.	17	15.00
Wilson,	2.	25.	44.40
Young Memorial,	1	12	42.75
	43	663	$1,826.45
Ladies' Society raised toward church debt,			600 00
Total			$2,426 45

IV. Annual Report Of The Treasurer.

April, 1901.

I have the honor to submit the following report as Treasurer for the year ending April 1, 1901:

General Statement of all Funds.

On hand April 1, 1900.	$380 16
Receipts (all sources) to April 1, 1901.	398 24
	$778. 40
Disbursements (as per vouchers).	$527 87
Balance at date April 1, 1901.	250 53
	$778 40

The Presbyterial Fund.

(See Treasurers Book, pp. 87 and 114)

To balance on hand April 1, 1900.	$135. 41
To receipts from churches to April 1, 1901.	239 16
	$374 57

Disbursements.

1900.

April 14, Paid Rev. E. H. Brown, com'r. to Gen. Assem., $20.00

April 19, Paid Rev. L. B. Morton, as per order of Presbytery, 25.00
(Min. p. 455.)

April 27, Bought of Erskine Reid 3 Bibles for Licentiates
Gilmer, Bradley and Jarvis, 4.05

~~April~~ 10, Paid Rev. C. K. Wharton's expenses as trustee of
Davidson College, 15.00

Paid C. M. Brown, com'r. expenses, 17.60

June 1, and Jan., 1899-01, Paid self salary as Stated
Clerk for the year 1900, 60.00

October 24, Paid Whittet & Shepperson, printing Minutes,
two sessions of 1899, 26.50

October 31, Paid Synodical Assessment for two years
(1899 and 900) to Rev. W. T. Craig, 40.00

Nov. 6 and March 31, 1901, Paid Dr. Morton as per order
of Presbytery (Print. Min., p. —) 50.00

1901.

March 5, Paid assessment of Gen. Assem. for May 1900,
to Dr. W. A. Alexander, 21.20

March 31, Paid self office expenses for the year, 8.22

$277.87

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April 1, By balance 96.70

$374.57

Vouchers for all these items of expenditure are herewith submitted.

Fund for Ministerial Education.

To balance April 1, 1900, $244.75

To receipts from churches to April 1, 1901, 159.08

$403.83

Disbursements.

1900.

April 23, Remitted to Macrae, Treas., Memphis, Tenn., $175.00

May 10, Paid Gilmer (L. A.) bal. on appropriation, 12.50

1901.

Jan. 16, Remitted to Macrae, Treas., Memphis, Tenn. 50.00

March 1, For Thom. H. Johnston, candidate, balance
of appropriation, 25.00

March 5, Remitted to Macrae, Treas., Memphis, 50.00

March 31, Remitted to Macrae, Treas., Memphis, 37.50

$250.00

April 1, By balance, 153.83

$403.83

Vouchers for the above disbursements are herewith submitted, except that the last remittance to Mr. Macrae of $37.50 has not yet been acknowledged. The Treasurer will open account with a new fund which the Presbytery ordered last year, viz, the Representatives' Fund, or Travelling Expense Fund. The moneys received to date, April 15th, for this object from the churches amount to $80. The Treasurer is of opinion that the whole amount assessed, about $130, will be insufficient to defray the travelling expenses of members going to and returning from Presbytery, even for one meeting.

The Treasurer further states that the Presbyterial Fund has no outstanding claims against it this year, but that the drafts on it the ensuing year will be larger than usual, as expenses of commissioners to Little Rock, Ark., printing minutes, etc., will be larger.

Respectfully submitted,
T. H. Johnston, Treas.

Tarboro, N. C. April 15, 1901.

Minutes of the Adjourned Meeting
at Oxford, N. C.

Oxford, N. C. May 3. 1901.

The Presbytery met, according to adjournment, in the Presbyterian Church, this place, at 8 P.M.

Present.— The Rev. Messrs. A. R. Shaw, C. N. Wharton and E. P. Bradley, and Elder John Webb, of Oxford.

Mr. Shaw took the chair, and constituted the meeting with prayer. Mr Bradley was appointed Clerk.

The Rev. John E. Wool presented a letter of dismission from the Abingdon Presbytery, with the view of uniting with this Presbytery, and after satisfactory examination on Experimental Religion, Theology and Church Government, he was received and enrolled as a member of this Presbytery.

A call from the Oxford Church for the pastoral services of Mr. Wool for three-fourths of his time, with salary of $650, and use of the manse, and a call from the Geneva Church for one-fourth of his time, with salary of $125, were

presented, and, being found in order, were placed in his hands, and his acceptance of same being signified, the following order for his installation was taken.

The Revs. A. R. Shaw and E. P. Bradley, with Elder John Webb, were appointed a commission to install Mr. Wool pastor of Geneva Church at 10 o'clock, May 5, 1901; Mr. Shaw to preside, propound the constitutional questions, and charge the pastor; Mr. Bradley to preach, and charge the people.

The same commission was appointed to install Mr. Wool pastor of Oxford Church on May 5th, at 8 P.M.; the Rev. Mr. Shaw to preach and charge the people; Mr. Bradley to preside, propound the questions, and charge the pastor.

Presbytery took recess until after dinner service, when it resumed its sitting.

The Rev. John E. Wool was added to the commission to install the Rev. E. P. Bradley pastor of Oak Hill Church on 30th. of June.

The minutes were read and approved.

Adjourned to meet in Tarboro, May 28th, at 3 P.M. Closed with prayer.

A. R. Shaw, Moderator.

E. P. Bradley, Clerk pro tem.

Minutes of the Adjourned Meeting at Tarboro, N. C.

Tarboro, N. C., May 28, 1901, 3 P.M.

The Presbytery of Albemarle met here today, pursuant to adjournment, and was opened with prayer by the Rev. John B. Morton, last Moderator present.

Present: Ministers - F. R. Johnston, W. D. Morton, John B. Morton, with Elder George Howard, of Tarboro.

This meeting having been appointed mainly for the purpose of licensing two of the Presbytery's candidates, if the way were clear, Presbytery proceeded to the business of examination.

Mr. Thomas Dabney Johnston, one of the candidates, and recent graduate, with degree of B.D., of Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va., being present was examined in the studies of the college course, classical and scientific, and the examination sustained as satisfactory. He was also examined in the Hebrew language and the examination approved.

Ordered that Mr. Johnston preach his trial sermon tonight at 8 o'clock, to which hour recess was taken.

8 o'clock, P.M.

The Presbytery reassembled. Present as above, with the addition of the Moderator, the Rev. L. R. N. Summerell, who took the chair.

Mr. Johnston, with the usual devotional services, preached a sermon from the text previously assigned, viz: 1 Peter 1.5; which sermon was sustained as satisfactory part of trial.

The other candidate, Mr. Thomas Henry Watkins, graduate also of Union Seminary, with degree of B.D., being now present, it was ascertained that he had already passed with approval all his examinations on the college course, together with his knowledge of the Hebrew language at a previous meeting.

The Latin Thesis and Greek Exercises (exegetical) were referred to the Rev. Drs. Morton and Johnston

respectively, for examination, with instructions to report to-morrow morning.

Ordered that Mr. Watkins preach his trial sermon tomorrow at 11 o'clock A. M., and that the licensure of these candidates, the way being open, be set for 4 o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

Presbytery then adjourned, to meet tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. Closed with prayer.

Second Day.

Wednesday, May 29, 1901. 9 A. M.

The Presbytery met. Present as above, and opened with prayer.

Dr. Morton obtained leave of absence after noon today.

The candidates were each examined in Philosophy, Mental and Moral, the Moderator conducting the same. Sustained as satisfactory.

The Rev. B. Craig, of the Baptist Church, was introduced

to the Presbytery, and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

The committees to whom were referred the Latin and other papers of the candidates, reported the same, recommending their approval as parts of trial. Adopted.

The candidates were then examined in Theology, Natural and Revealed, the examination being conducted by Dr. Morton, and sustained as satisfactory.

Rev. Mr. Robinson, of the M. E. Church, was introduced, and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

After a recess of ten minutes, Mr. Watkins preached a sermon from Isaiah lii. 6, which was sustained as part of trial; after which Mr. Johnston read a popular lecture on the first eleven verses of the first chapter of the second epistle of Peter, which was likewise approved as part of trial.

The candidates were then examined in Church History, which examination was sustained as satisfactory.

Presbytery then receded from business until 2 P.M.

2 o'clock P.M.

The Presbytery met after recess, and heard the popular lecture of Mr. Watkins on the first eleven verses of the fifth chapter of Romans, which was approved as part of trial.

The candidates were then examined on the Sacraments, and afterwards on Church Government, on each of which subjects the examination was sustained as satisfactory.

The requirements of the Book of Church Order as to subjects for examination having been complied with, the examination of the candidates was then sustained as a whole, and, on motion, which was carried unanimously, these young brethren were licensed to preach the gospel as probationers for the holy ministry, according to the form prescribed, and the Moderator, in the name of the Presbytery, presented each of them

with a copy of the Holy Scriptures.
At their own request, the licentiates were dismissed, Mr. Watkins to the care of the Presbytery of Lafayette, and Mr. Johnston to that of the Presbytery of Concord.

The Rev. Dr. Daniel was appointed to write a letter in the name of the Presbytery to the Rev. L. C. Vass, member of this Presbytery, and missionary in Africa, in the Congo Free State, assuring him of our interest in him and his work, and our sympathy with him, and congratulating him on his successful undertaking in putting together and launching of the mission steamer, the Samuel N. Lapsley.
The Moderator was, on motion, requested to write to the Rev. John E. Wool, pastor of the Oxford Church, expressing the sympathies and condolence of the Presbytery in his late sore bereavement, the death of his wife.

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Presbytery then adjourned to meet in

Warrenton September 17th, at 7:30 P.M. Closed with prayer.

(Signed) J. H. H. Summerell, Moderator.

Attest: J. H. Johnston.
Stated Clerk.

Examined & Approved, except the failure to record the paper in space left for same on page 168.

Robt E Caldwell
Moderator

Charlotte N. C.
Oct. 25 1901.

Minutes of the Twenty-fifth Session of Albemarle Presbytery at Warrenton N. C. Sept. 17. 1901 8: P.M.

Constituted

Presbytery met at above time and place and was opened with a sermon by the retiring Moderator, Rev. J. H. H. Summerell D.D. who by request preached from Gen. 44: 12. "And the cup was found in Benjamins sack".

After which Presbytery was constituted with prayer by Dr. Summerell.

Roll call

Roll was called and the following were present.

Ministers:- J. B. Morton, W. D. Morton D.D. J. H. H. Summerell D.D. E. D. Brown, H. S. Bradshaw and E. P. Bradley.

Ruling Elders. W. T. Allen, Geneva, R. A. Bullock, Nut Bush, J. L. Henderson Warrenton, and E. M. Brown, Washington.

In the absence of Rev. J. H. Johnston D.D.

Rev. J. B. Morton was appointed Stated Clerk Pro. Tem.

Moderator

Rev. E. P. Bradley was elected Moderator, Rev. E. H. Brown and Ruling Elder C. M. Brown Clerks.

J. L. Henderson and Rev. J. H. Jarvis were appointed Committee on Devotional Exercises.

The following are the hours of meeting Met at 9: A.M. Preaching service at 11:30. Afternoon, met at 3 P.M. take recess at will. Preaching service at 8 P.M. adjourn at will.

Adjourned to meet at 9 A.M. Tomorrow.

Closed with prayer.

Wednesday.

2d day

Presbytery met at 9 A.M. and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by the moderator.

Minutes of last nights session was read and approved.

Rev. J. Spencer Smith presented a letter of dismissal from the Presbytery of Lexington to this Presbytery, which was read and after the usual examination he was received and his name enrolled as a member of this Presbytery.

The moderator appointed the following Standing Committees — viz:

Standing committees

(1.) On Minutes of the General Assembly: Rev. J. H. H. Summerell D.D. Elder R. A. Bullock.

(2.) On Statistical report to Synod. Rev. R. L. Bradshaw and Elder W. T. Allen.

(3) On Calls and Installations. Rev. W. D. Morton and Elder J. L. Henderson.

Licentiate J. H. Jarvis made a verbal report of his work since last meeting of Presbytery.

Rev. T. W. Farries was excused from attendance at this meeting.

Letter was read from our Stated Clerk regretting his inability to attend this meeting. He was excused and Dr. Norton was directed to express to him the sympathy of Presbytery.

Made order of the day for 10 o'clock tomorrow to hear the report of Home Mission Committee.

Resolution in regard to memorial services tomorrow was adopted.

McKinley Memorial

Resolved:— That Presbytery recede from business tomorrow at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose of holding Memorial Services to our late President and that the citizens of the town be invited to unite with us in these exercises.

Mr. L. M. Brown was added to the Committee on devotional exercises.

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Licentiate L. H. Jarvis was excused after this mornings session.

Treasurers statement was read and approved.

Statement by Treasurer.

January 1901.

Treasurers Statement

1 Presbyterial Fund.

Bal. on hand April 1. with receipts since to Sept. 1. Amounted to	$273.54
Disbursements since April 1. 1901	150.30
Bal.	123.24

Against this balance are the following claims to be paid shortly.

1. Printing minutes 3 last sessions	$74.40
2. Ass'n Gen. Assembly 1901 + Synod this year	42.25
	116.65
Bal.	$6.59

Representatives Traveling Fund.

Whole amount received at Spring meeting	$113.50
Paid out to Delegates	103.35
Bal.	$10.15

Education

Bal. on hand April 1.		$153.83
Receipts Since		57.81
		211.64
Appropriated to Mr. Caldwell Gro.		
Balance	111.70	211.64
to be sent to Memphis this Fall.		

Respectfully submitted,
E. H. Stockton Treas.

Agent of Colportage and Presbyterian Standard sent a report which was read and approved.

Presbyterian Standard

For Colportage, see Assembly's Minutes app. pp. 83.
The "Standard" is being conducted with its accustomed vigor and is gaining in popularity and increasing in circulation, and merits the earnest support of the Presbytery.

Orphans Home Overture

Overture to Synod in regard to the support of the Orphanage adopted.
Resolved, That the Synod of N. C. be overtured to apportion among the Presbyteries, the amount needed yearly to support the Orphans Home.

Agent of Manses, Mr. C. M. Brown made a verbal report. Approved.

Commissioners to General Assembly reported attendance &c. Report received and their diligence commended.

Rev. L. Spencer Smith made an interesting report

of the work at Elizabeth City.

Missionary supplies reported, most of them duty performed.
After a preaching service conducted by Rev. H. S. Bradshaw. Presbytery took recess to 3 P.M.

At 3 P.M. Presbytery met.
The Committee on Twentieth Century Fund made a verbal report.

The Committees to install Mr. Hool at Geneva and at Oxford, and Mr. Bradley at Oak Hill, reported duty performed & were discharged.

Dover Church Case

Dover Church case made second order for tomorrow.
Committee on Revision of the Manual reported nothing done and asked to be continued.
Request granted.

Shiloh Ch

Commission to visit Shiloh Church made report, which was approved and com-

mission discharged.

Officers Elected

All of the present officers and Agents of the Presbytery were reelected, except the Agent of the Bible Cause. Rev. L. Spencer Smith was chosen to fill that office.

Davidson Col

Rev. C. H. Wharton was chosen to succeed himself as trustee of Davidson College.

Next Meeting & place of—

Rocky Mount was chosen as the place for the next meeting.

Agent of Colored Evangelization made a report which was adopted.

Col. Evangelization Report

Report of Agent of Colored Evangelization.
Your Agent would report that nineteen churches have contributed to this cause during the year $118.50. That fourteen churches have failed to contribute.
The Agent would therefore recommend.
1st That this Presbytery urge upon the sessions and Pastors the necessity of taking this collection, being careful to explain to the people its purpose.

2nd That the ministers preach as often to the colored people as opportunity is afforded.
3rd That Pastors encourage Elders and Christian workers to establish Sunday Schools for the instruction of colored people.

Respectfully submitted
E. P. Bradley.

Resolution in regard to Agent Colored Evangelization was adopted.

Resolution for Institutes among Colored preachers

Resolved that the Presbytery does hereby instruct Rev. E. P. Bradley our agent of Colored Evangelization to use his efforts to enlist our ministers in efforts to organize Institutes for the religious development and instruction of the colored preachers laboring within our bounds.

Standing Committee on Minutes of General Assembly made a report which was adopted except 1st Recommendation which was docketed to the spring meeting.

Report of Committee on Minutes of General Assembly.

Call attention

Minutes of Gen'l Assembly

Clerks of sessions are asked to make accurate reports of the number of Baptized non Communicants. (page 36)

Call attention to the emphasis which the Assembly puts upon the Collection to the Bible Cause (see page 46)

"To the collections to be taken in our Sunday-schools and Young Peoples Societies each year 1st Sabbath in October. (Page 48)

"To the erection of a separate Committee known as the "Ministerial Relief" to take separate clause of the monies sent to the Invalid Fund, and that the July collection be sent to the Committee which is located at Richmond, Virginia. (Page 56.)

"To the appointment of the last Thursday in February 1902 as a day of prayer for the youth in schools and colleges and seminaries of learning that the Lord would send forth laborers into his harvest. (Page 57.)

1st Recommendation

We recommend that Albemarle Presbytery agrees to the Report of the General Assembly making substitute for chapter V. section VII, and also to the verbal changes in sections 179 & 215 in Form of Government (see pp. 24 & 25)

That each Sabbath School be requested, if the way be clear, to take up a yearly collection for the maintenance of the Congo Boat. (Page 35)

Quorum of Synod

We recommend that this Presbytery agree to the Amendment of the Book of church order concerning Quorum of Synod. (Page 45)

We recommend that a Committee (Mr. Daniels and Mr. Farris) be appointed to bring in Report on the "Catechism of the church" to be submitted to the Presbytery at an adjourned meeting at the Synod of North Carolina at Charlotte N. C. (Page 50)

J. N. H. Summerell.
R. A. Bullock.

Presbytery took recess till 8 o'clock.

At 8 o'clock P.M. Presbytery met and heard a sermon by Rev. W. D. Morton, after which

Presbytery adjourned till 9 o'clock tomorrow.

Thursday.

3rd day

Presbytery met at 9 A.M. Opened with devotional exercises conducted by the Moderator.

Minutes of yesterdays sessions were read and approved.

Orphans Home

Letter was read from Supt. of the Orphans Home. Letter referred to our Agent of this Cause and on motion each pastor on his return home was requested to take steps to get a contribution for this cause as soon as possible.

Rev. E. Daniel was excused from attendance at this meeting.

Moved and carried that when this Presbytery adjourns, it adjourn to meet during meeting of Synod at the call of the Moderator.

Next meeting Time of

Time of next meeting April 16th 8 P.M.

Rev. C. H. Wharton was excused from this meeting. And Dr. Morton was directed to make such arrangements to supply his field during his absence as he may think best.

Rev. J. B. Morton was excused from preaching tonight.

Committee on Statistical report to Synod made report. Adopted and ordered to be forwarded to Synod.

Statistical

1. Ministers 15; Churches 37; 1 Licentiate; 3 Candidates; Communicants 2,268;

Money raised

Aggregate of all funds raised to March 31, 1901 $27,224, an increase of 917.61 over the year before.

Members added

2. 194 members were added to the church during the year; 74 on examination, and 120 by certificate.

Ministers added

3. Ministers received 4: Rev. J. R. H. Summerell D.D. from Presbytery of South Carolina, Dec. 18, 1900: Rev. R. P. Bradshaw, Presbytery of Orange, Dec. 18, 1900: Rev. J. E. Wool, Presbytery of Abingdon, May 3, 1901; Rev. J. S. Smith, Presbytery of Lexington, Sept. 18, 1901.

4. One church organized: Scotland Neck, Dec. 1900.

Statistical

5. No churches transferred, 2 dissolved.

6. No Licentiate received.

7. Two Licentiates transferred: T. D. Johnston, to Presbytery of Concord; T. H. Watkins to Lafayette, May 29, 1901.

8. No candidates received.

9. No candidates transferred.

10. No ministers have died.

11. No ministers ordained.

Instalations

12. Ministers installed: Rev. J. N. H. Summerell, D.D. Washington, fifth Sabbath in December, 1900; Rev. H. S. Bradshaw, New Bern, Second Sabbath in Jan. 1901; Rev. J. E. Wool, Geneva and Oxford, May 5; 1901.

13. No Pastoral relations were dissolved.

14. Two Licentiates, T. H. Watkins and T. D. Johnston, May 29, 1901.

Statistical

15. 13 ministers serve 27 churches; 8 Pastors: 8 Evangelists: 1 Licentiate.

16. $822 average salary of ministers in charge of churches.

17. 11 Manses $22,000

18. No ministers or church in 14 Counties: Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Greene, Perquimans, Northampton, Hyde & Washington.

19. Next meeting of Presbytery at Rocky Mount. April 16, 1902, at 7.30 o'clock P. M.

Respectfully submitted
H. S. Bradshaw.
W. T. Allen.

Report of Home Mission Committee

Committee on Home Missions made report which was adopted as follows:-

After the time of engagement with Rev. Hugh White at Elizabeth City expired. Rev. E. G. Gillespie in association with the Committee, secured Rev. J. Spencer Smith of the Synod of Virginia to take up the work. He began his labors the 14th of June and has held services regularly with increasing congregations two Sunday Schools are in operation and he is encouraged and hopeful of the work in the field.

We regarded the removal of Rev. W. T. Walker from the Weldon group of churches as a calamity almost, yet with commendable zeal he has continued to work at Weldon until recently. The church building has been com-

Home Mission Comittee Report Continued

pleted. and is ready for dedication when seats can be secured. There is some indebtedness most of which ($3 00) is a loan from the W. A. Moore fund of the Home Mission Committee Atlanta Ga. running for three years.

The house is tastful and attractive and Mr. Walker with the heroic and zealous little band of Presbyterians at Weldon deserve much favor for their commendable efforts.

Weldon field

The Presbytery may be felicitated on the arrangement made to have Rev. Dugald Monroe a native North Carolinian late pastor at Soddy Tenn. undertake the pastoral work in the field the first Sabbath of the coming month.

Kinston field.

Rev. E. D. Brown has labored on faithfully in this field since April, with good congregations both at Kinston & Boon. Several persons have recently been added to the church at the former place.

Kinston field

Warrenton.

We have encouraging reports from this point, some additions to the church and improvements in the church property both at Warrenton and

at Littleton which has also been strengthened, and a Sunday School sustained here as well as at Warrenton and Youngs Memorial Rev. Mr Wharton thinks the general prospects of his work are more inspiring than at any time since he has occupied the field.

Warrenton field

The Wilson and Lagrange Field.

Services have been regularly conducted at Wilson. The prayer meeting has received a hopeful impulse and is better attended than for years. There has been an ingress of some of our people into Wilson which has increased the congregation and the church has been strengthened by the installation of three additional deacons.

Wilson field

Services have also been regularly conducted by Rev Jas. Thomas at La Grange church and the congregation is thus provided with the means of grace. According to instructions Rev. J. H. Jarvis has been regularly visiting the county of Hyde monthly, holding services at Swans Quarter and at Makleville. He reports an earnest desire of the people to hear the word at both places and

Hyde Co.

Home Miss. Report continued

the congregations good and attentive, he hopes that the way will soon open for the organization of a Sunday-School at the latter point.

Your committee feels anxious to secure a larger attention to this important county and when the Treasury is strong enough to justify hopes to give them more frequent services.

Nutbushfield

Rev. E. P. Bradley has preached regularly in his field. There has been some confessions of faith and additions to the church.

We are deeply concerned at the ill health of our Evangelist Rev. L. R. Johnston D.D. since the last meeting of Presbytery he has held some services in Parmele & Everetts but with the exceptions of a visit to Aurora has felt unable to do work. Rev. Mr. Jarvis has by request of the Committee held several services for him at Falkland and Parmele and it seems best to continue this plan for the present. We wait with anxious hope that Dr. Johnston may recover strength to resume his duties in this field.

Dr Johnston and his work

Home Miss. Report continued

Financial.

Although the Presbytery has not sent in any large amount since April. The financial exhibit is not discouraging. We have had some difficulties in receiving funds and several of the larger churches are still behind in their August collections or at least in remittances, by which our laborers in the field suffer. This is felt more sensibly as our Treasury was entirely exhausted by a strenuous but successful effort made to pay off the note held against the Committee by the Bank in Tarboro. The Presbytery may be congratulated that this note with interest has been met. Yet we are now left in arrears to every one of our evangelists and we sorely need money to aid them. Then too we have received but little from any of our Ladies Home Missionary Societies.

Since the last meeting of Presbytery the committee has received $215.99 and has paid out $212,23 most of this $104.67 was to meet our note in Bank leaving us but $74.37 for our

Evangelist. Rev. E.J. Gillespie by his own request transmits his Synodical Home Mission remittances directly to the Evangelists, so our report now embraces some of the Synodical Home Mission funds. Our own responsibility when all of our workers are in the field is $750 per annum and this with no new work in view. Now when it is remembered that we have received but $215:99 and paid more than one hundred dollars of this for old debts, and with six months of work now to be settled for, we may see how much prompt remittances are now needed.

We now need nearly $300 to bring up our work and we will need more than this for the next term when we get Rev. Dugald Monroe in the Weldon group of churches.

Under these exigencies your committee recommend (1st) That our Presbytery make an earnest effort to raise our (see printed minutes pp 13 & 14) and to have forwarded immediately one half of their annual apportionment for Home Missions.

Organization of societies

S.S. Collection for H.M.

Pres. Union to raise $150.

(2nd) That our pastors be urged if remiss to carry out the 1st & 2nd Resolutions in the interest of the work regarding the organization of Ladies Home Missionary Societies, and the observance of the 2nd Sunday in December as Home Mission day in our Sunday Schools. See printed minutes of meeting in April 16-19-1901 pages 13 & 14.

(3rd) That we request the Ladies Presbyterial Missionary Union to use its efforts to raise through its societies $150.00 outside of and beyond the regular apportionments of the congregations for the aid of this work.

W. D. Morton, Ch'm.

Hyde

Dr. Morton was directed to make an official visit to Hyde County before next meeting of Presbytery.

Dover case was docketed for consideration at the adjourned meeting at Synod.

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Supplies

Committee on Supplies made a report which was adopted as follows:-

Rev. J. N. H. Summerell D.D. one Sunday	Makleyville.
Rev. E. Daniel D.D.	Louisburg
Rev. H. S. Bradshaw	Aurora
Rev. E. D. Brown	Falkland
Rev. W. D. Morton	Hyde Co.
Rev. J. Spencer Smith	Edenton.
Rev. C. N. Wharton	At discretion
Rev. E. P. Bradley	Young Memorial
Rev. J. B. Morton	Macclesfield
Rev. A. R. Shaw	Warrenton
Rev. J. R. Jarvis	Belhaven
Rev. J. E. Wool	At discretion
Rev. T. R. Johnston	At discretion

Resolution of thanks adopted.

Adjourned

Presbytery then adjourned to meet at call of Moderator during the sessions of Synod at Charlotte. Closed with prayer and apostolic benediction.

Signed

Temporary Clerks { E. D. Brown. E. M. Brown.

Attest J B Morton Assistant Stated Clerk

Minutes of Adjourned meeting at Charlotte, North Carolina Oct. 23. 1901.

Presbytery met at 10 P.M. and was opened with prayer by the Moderator Rev. E. P. Bradley.

Constituency

Present Ministers: E. P. Bradley, W. H. Morton, D.D. J. E. Wool, R. S. Bradshaw and E. D. Brown.

Ruling Elders: C. B. Eleanor, of the Brookstown church.

Rev. D. Munroe's letter

Rev. Dugald Munroe presented a letter of dismissal from the Presbytery of Knoxville, and after the usual examination, was received as a member of this Presbytery and his name was ordered enrolled.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 8.30. Closed with prayer.

Thursday.

8.30 A.M.

Presbytery met and was opened with prayer.

Minutes of last night's session read and approved.

Rev. J. N. R. Summerell and Ruling Elder C. M. Brown of the Washington church appeared and were enrolled.

Presbytery then took recess till 10.50 a.m.

Appointment of assistant Stated Clerk

At 10.50 A.M. Presbytery resumed its session. Having heard of the feeble health of our Stated Clerk and Treasurer, Rev. J. B. Morton was chosen to act as his assistant till next regular meeting of Presbytery.

Dr Johnston

Rev. J. B. Morton was asked to express the sympathy of Presbytery to Dr. Johnston.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet at the call of the Moderator.

Closed with prayer.

Saturday.

At 1 P.M. Presbytery met at call of the Moderator. No quorum present and Presbytery adjourned and was closed with prayer.

Signed
E. D. Brown.
Tem. Clerk.

attest J B Morton
Asst. Stated Clerk

Minutes of Called Meeting at Henderson N.C. Dec. 3d 1901.

Henderson N.C. December 3d 1901.

Presbytery met in the Lecture Room of the Presbyterian Church, pursuant to the following call of the Moderator. "The constitutional requirements having been complied with, I hereby call a meeting of Albemarle Presbytery to be held in the lecture room of the Presbyterian Church Henderson N.C. Dec. 3d at 3 O'Clock P.M. to transact the following business if the way be clear.

1st To dissolve the Pastoral relation between the Rev. A.R. Shaw and the Henderson Church, said dissolution to take place Jan 1st 1902.

2d To dismiss Rev. A R Shaw to Norfolk Presbytery Synod of Va.

3d To fill a vacancy in the Presbyterial Home Miss. Committee created by said dismissal. E.P. Bradley Moderator Nov. 19 1901 Williamsboro N.C."

Presbytery was opened with prayer by the Moderator Present Revs A.R. Shaw, Dugald Munroe, E.P. Bradley, and John E. Wool. Ruling Elders R.A. Bullock of Nutbush, and J.R. Clack of Henderson

churches. Rev J.E. Wool was elected temporary clerk.

The Rev. A.R. Shaw presented his resignation of the Henderson Church and requested that the Pastoral relation between him and said church be dissolved

The Church was then heard, through its representative J.R. Clack. The church reluctantly concurred in the request. The pastoral relation between Mr Shaw and said Church was then dissolved, to take effect the 1st of Jan. 1902.

Mr Shaw was then dismissed to join the Presbytery of Norfolk and the Clerk was directed to give him a letter of dismission

Rev J.E. Wool was elected a member of the Home Miss Com. to take the place of Rev A.R. Shaw until the spring meeting of Presbytery.

Minutes were read and approved. Presbytery then adjourned with prayer by Rev Dugald Munroe

E.P. Bradley Moderator.

John E. Wool Temp. Clerk

attest J.B. Motes Asst Stated Clerk

Minutes of the Twenty-Sixth Session of Albemarle Presbytery at Rocky Mount, N. C. April 16, 1902. 8: P. M.

Presbytery met at the above time and place, and, in the absence of the Moderator, was opened with a sermon by Rev. H. S. Bradshaw pastor of the Neoberne Church, from 1 Jno. 4:19. After which Presbytery was constituted with prayer by Rev. J. N. H. Summerell D.D., the last Moderator present.

The roll was called and the following were present, to wit:
Ministers: E. Daniel D.D., C. H. Wharton, J. B. Morton, James Thomas, E. D. Brown, W. D. Morton, D.D., J. N. H. Summerell, D.D., H. S. Bradshaw, John E. Wool and Dugald Munroe.
Licentiate. J. N. Jarvis.

Ruling Elders:

R. L. Jones	of the	Aurora Church.
W. T. Allen	" "	Geneva "
C. L. Lewis	" "	Grassy Creek "
C. A. Lewis	" "	Henderson "
H. M. McDonald	" "	La Grange "
J. A. Patterson	" "	Littleton "
Walter Bullock	" "	Nut Bush "
N. B. Daniel	" "	Oak Hill "
Jas. Dinwiddie	" "	Raleigh 1st "
S. K. Fountain	" "	Rocky Mount "
J. L. Henderson	" "	Warrenton "
C. M. Brown	" "	Washington "
John Hutchinson	" "	Wilson "

Officers: Rev H. S. Bradshaw was elected Moderator; and Rev. E. D. Brown and Ruling Elder C. M. Brown, Clerks.

The Moderator appointed Rev. W. D. Morton, and Ruling Elder S. K. Fountain a committee on Devotional Exercises.

In view of the request of Citizens of Hyde Co.

it was made the 1st order of the Day for Tomorrow morning to take up the Examination of Licentiate J. N. Jarvis, with a view to his ordination as an Evangelist

The following hours of meeting were fixed.
Morning Session: 9:30 a.m. to 12
Afternoon " Meet at 2 P.M. take recess at will.
Night " Meet at 8 P.M. and adjourn at will.
Presbytery then adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9:30
Closed with prayer.

Second Day. Thursday.

Presbytery met at 9:30 a.m. and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by the Moderator.
The minutes of last night's session were read and approved.

Rev. F. W. Farries and Ruling Elder John Slaughter of the Goldsboro Church were enrolled.

The Records of the last regular meeting, and of the adjourned & called meetings were read, corrected, & approved

The Stated Clerk was authorised to have printed the minutes of this, and of the last regular meeting; and of the adjourned and called meetings.

The following Standing Committees were appointed
viz: 1. Devotional Exercises { W. D. Morton D.D. / S. K. Fountain.

Standing Committees

2. Narrative { Rev. Dugald Munroe. / " G. H. Wharton. / W. J. Allen.

3 Sessional Duties { Rev. J. E. Wool. / R. L. Jones.

4. Systematic Benevolence { Rev. Jas Thomas / John Slaughter / A. M. McDonald.

5. Statistical Report { S. K. Fountain / G. L. Lewis / Rev. D. Munroe.

6. Minutes of Synod { Rev. F. W. Farries. / James Dinwiddie. / J. A. Patterson.

7. To audit accts. Treas of Agt Home Miss.
C. M. Brown, C. A Lewis and
N. B. Daniel -
8. Calls and Installations:
W. D. Morton D.D., Walter Bullock and
J. L. Henderson.
9. Bills & Overtures:
E. Daniel D.D., John Hutchinson, and
James Dinwiddie.
10. Sessional Records:
1st list: - Jas. Thomas, C. N. Wharton & John Hutchinson
2nd " :- John E. Wool, J. L. Henderson, and N. M. McDonald.
11. On Memorial of Dr Johnston:-
J. N. N. Summerell D.D. J. B. Morton & C. M. Brown.

The Rev J. Spencer Smith was excused from attendance at this meeting -
A communication from Rev J. Spencer Smith, in which he asked that he be allowed to labor without the bounds of this Presbytery, was read, and his request was granted.

A communication from the Board of Regents of

of the Orphans Home was read & referred to a Committee consisting of - Rev J. B. Morton, Rev E. Daniel D.D., & Elder C. A. Lewis.

The Rev J. K. Howell of the Baptist Church was introduced to Presbytery & invited to sit as a visiting brother.
Ruling Elders J. R. Moore of the Greenville Church and H. E. Shaw of the Atkinson Memorial Church appeared & were enrolled.

A communication from the Rocky Mount Church with reference to a change in their call to Dr Morton as pastor was read & referred to the committee on Calls & Installations.

A communication from Dr Moore of Union Seminary Va. in regard to needed improvements in our Memorial Room was read, and the amount asked for ($10.00) was immediately raised and Rev J. B. Morton directed to forward same to Dr Moore.

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A communication from The Presbyterian Evangelistic and Biblical Institute of the Synod of N. C, was read and referred to the Committee of Church & Xian Education

Letter from Rev Dr Lumpkin was read and referred to the committee on Ministerial Education

A request from the Atkinson Memorial Church was read & referred to the Committee of Home Missions

A petition signed by ninteen citizens of Hyde Co. & members of different churches, asking that Licentiate J. H. Jarvis be ordained, was read & received as information.

Presbytery then proceeded to examine Mr Jarvis with a view to his ordination. The examination as to Experimental Religion & motives for seeking the ministry was conducted by the Moderator, and was sustained as satisfactory part of trial.

Inasmuch as he is to be ordained as an "Extraordinary Case", the Examinations on Mental & Moral Philosophy, & the Ancient Languages were, on motion omitted.

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The Examinations on Theology, Church History, Government, & Sacraments were sustained as satisfactory parts of trial.

On Motion it was ordered that we hear the trial Sermon of Mr Jarvis at 3:30 p.m.

After which Presbytery took recess till 2:30 P. M.

Thursday Afternoon.

Presbytery met at 2:30 o'clock.

On motion Ruling Elder H. E. Shaw was excused after this Afternoon's Session, and Ruling Elders J. A. Patterson and C. L. Lewis after tonight's Session.

Ruling Elder J. E. Kelly of the Tarboro Church reported and was enrolled.

The following were then nominated for Commissioners to the General Assembly.

Ministers: Revs James Thomas, H. S. Bradshaw, & J. B. Morton.

Ruling Elders: H. B. Daniel, J. R. Moore and James Dinwiddie.

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The Committee on Minutes of the General Assembly made the following report, which was adopted: "Your Committee recommends that the answer of this Presbytery to the proposed change in our Form of Government as to Ecclesiastical Commissions, &c, &c. and that the whole matter be referred to a committee to bring in a clearer reply to the overtures on this subject."

Signed by the Com.

Revs Charles Fetter, Rector of the Episcopal Church and L.L. Nash, D.D., of the M.E. Church South, were introduced to Presbytery and invited to sit as visiting brethren.

The Narratives of the Churches were read and referred to the Committee on Narratives.

Revs B. Craig and J.S. Farmer, of Baptist Church, were introduced and invited to sit as visiting brethren.

Trial Sermon

Presbytery then heard a trial sermon from Licentiate J. N. Jarvis. Text: Rom. V:1 and Jas. II:14., which

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was sustained as a satisfactory part of trial. His Examination was then, on motion sustained as a whole, and order was taken for his ordination tonight. Dr Daniel to preach the sermon and the Moderator to preside & deliver the charge the Evangelist.

The Committee on Calls and Installations made a report which was discussed and, on motion referred back to them.

Ruling Elder C.A. Lewis was added to the Committee on the Statistical Report.

Pastoral Relation Dissolved Dr Summerell

The Rev. J.U.N. Summerell, D.D., requested that the pastoral relations between himself and the Washington Church be dissolved, to take place April 30, 1902; and that the Stated Clerk furnish him with a letter of dismissal to the Presbytery of Norfolk. A representative of the Congregation was heard, stating that the Congregation reluctantly consented to the change. Presbytery then granted the request.

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Permission was granted the Henderson Church to prosecute the Call for the Rev. J. E. Henderlite.

Presbytery then took recess to 7:45 P.M.

Thursday Night.

Presbytery met at 7:45 P.M.

Candidate Received

A letter of dismissal from Wilmington Presbytery was presented by Candidate J. T. Rodman and he was on motion received under the care of Albemarle Presbytery.

Ordination of J. N. Jarvis as Evangelist

Presbytery then proceeded to the ordination of Licentiate J. N. Jarvis in accordance with our Book of Church Order, Par's 119, 121, 123. Rev. Dr Daniel preaching and appropriate sermon, the Moderator presiding & delivering the Charge. After which his name was enrolled as a member of Albemarle Presbytery.

The Committee to prepare a memorial of Rev. J. H. Johnston D.D., made a report and after remarks by various brethren it was adopted [See opposite page] After being led in special prayer - Presbytery adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9:30 A.M.

In Memoriam

Rev J. H. Johnston D.D.,

Dr Johnston was born of missionary parents, in Constantinople in 1833. He came to America when sixteen years of age. He was a graduate of Davidson College and of Union Seminary, Va. Licensed May 14, 1858, by Concord Presbytery. Ordained & Installed at Lexington N.C. by Orange Presbytery June 16, 1859. At Winston N.C. from 1876 till 1887. When Raleigh was his home for a year ~~till~~ he found that Elizabeth City was his most convenient point from which to reach his work as evangelist. Here he resided till two years before his death, which occurred in Tarboro Nov. 14, 1901. He was the efficient Stated Clerk of this Presbytery for the last six years of his life. His remains rest in the Presbyterian Church yard, in Tarboro, awaiting the morning of the resurrection.

From the very organization of this Presbytery, Dr Johnston has been associated actively with us in our work, both in the field and especially in our meetings. And while he was not one of the original number of this body, he was at the Synod in Charlotte when we were set off as a Presbytery; and he it was who gave us our name - Albemarle. Uniting with us at our second meeting, and seldom failing to be present among us; having visited throughout our bounds; being known by sight among all our churches - when we thus meet & hear his name called no more, and fail to see his familiar face and form, our sense of personal loss & Presbyterial bereavement is keen indeed. How he loved his brethren - and how dear to his heart were all the meetings of Presbytery. How hopeful under trial - how sunny beneath clouds - we all know. He has steered our course for many sessions, safely - and through troublous waters; and we do well to praise & honor him who loved & cared for his church so long & well - his Presbytery so faithfully - his friends so unfailingly - Accepting as wisest & best what our heavenly Father does, we bow submissively to him now, and look forward in faith & hope to the meeting with no parting & to the widows of our dear brother we express our sympathy & pledge our aid; to his children our interest & our prayers - commending them all to the grace of God & the mercy in Christ Jesus. Amen.

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Third Day - Friday -

Presbytery met at 9:30 a.m. and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by Rev. C. N. Wharton.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Committee on Calls and Installations to whom was referred the communications from the Rocky Mount and Tarboro churches, asking that they be allowed to make a change in the call of their pastors made a report which was adopted - viz:- 1) That Dr Morton be allowed to devote his whole time (except the fifth sabbaths) to the Rocky Mount Church 2) That Rev J. B. Morton be allowed (as soon as the Greenville field is supplied) to give his whole time to the Tarboro Church.

It was made the special order of the day to hear the report of the Committee of Home Missions at 11:30 this morning

The following resolution in regard to the Shiloh Church was adopted - viz: -

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Shiloh Church

"In view of the difficulty in the way of gathering the members of the Shiloh congregation to announce the order of Presbytery dissolving the same, Presbytery direct Rev E. P. Bradley to interview the members of the Shiloh church and, if the way be clear, to grant them certificates of dismissal to the Grassy Creek Church".

The Com. on Sessional Records (2nd Half) made a report which was approved -

Sabbath Schools

The Committee on Sabbath Schools reported as follows: - "23 of our 34 churches have sent up reports of Sabbath schools, from which it appears that there are 154 Teachers and 1154 scholars enrolled. That our schools are all under the supervision and control of the Sessions - That ~~the~~ generally the scholars, especially the larger ones attend divine services. The Standards of our church are taught, and the children generally memorize the catechisms and the Scriptures. There has been special religious interest in two or three schools.

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Only two of our schools have teachers meetings and two others have them part of the year."
The Statistical part of the report was ordered to forwarded to the General Assembly.
The following recommendation was adopted - viz: "That the first day of our Fall meeting of Presbytery be given to the work of the Sabbath Schools: Presbytery holding a convention to which delegates from the Schools shall be cordially invited"

Recommendation

The Committee on Young Peoples, and other Societies - made the following report. viz: "From the partial reports which have come into our hands, it appears that there are within our bounds 42 Societies in twelve of our Churches".
Rev J. B. Morton made a report on Education for the Ministry, which was adopted and the thanks of Presbytery extended for his services. The Report is as follows: -
At your implied request and that of our lamented Dr Johnston, who for many years has been the Chairman of our Com. on Ministerial Education

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I have taken charge of all matters pertaining to said Committee. We have only one candidate for the ministry - Mr E. C. Caldwell, now at Union Theological Seminary, Va. He is an unusually successful student and seems to deport himself consistently with the high vocation which is before him. Eighteen churches have contributed $214.08 to this cause. We have sent to our candidate $100.00 which was appropriated by Presbytery to him. We have sent to Dr Lumpkin, Secretary of Education $280.00. In view of the decreased number of candidates for the ministry, your committee would call the attention of Presbytery to the action of the Assembly in connection with this alarming feature in our church at present and recommend that our Pastors and Sessions keep a vigilant outlook, that they may suggest to suitable youth the probability of their call to this great work.

Respt. Submitted

J. B. Morton Ch. Education for Min

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The Rev Dr Daniel was, on motion elected Agent of Ministerial Education.

Committee on Church and Christian Education made a report which was received and it was ordered that same be considered after the report on Home Missions this afternoon

Orphanage

The Committee to whom was referred the communication from our Orphans Home, made the following recommendations, which were adopted

"1. Presbytery expresses its gratification that the Synod has adopted a definite and systematic plan for obtaining a regular and an adequate support for the Orphanage.

2. Presbytery accepts the apportionment of $700.00 as the minimum amount to be raised by our churches for this cause, and makes the apportionment to each church identical with its apportionment for Synodical Home Missions, as the least which that church is expected to raise.

3. The Stated Clerk is directed to bring this action to the attention of our Agent of the Orphanage"

Signed E. Daniel, W. D. Morton, J. B. Morton, C. H. Lewis } Com.

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Stated Clerk and Treasurer

Rev. E. D. Brown was elected Stated Clerk and Treasurer of Presbytery.

The following were then elected Commissioners to the General Assembly. viz:
Rev James Thomas and Elder John Hutchinson of Wilson
Alternates; Rev. W. S. Bradshaw and Ruling Elder J. L. Henderson.

Committee on Minutes of Synod made verbal report that they had found nothing requiring the attention of Presbytery — approved —

Ruling Elders R. L. Jones, H. M. McDonald and W. T. Allen were excused after this morning's session

The Committee of Home Missions then read their report which was received, and its consideration was made the first order for this afternoon.

Presbytery then took recess until 2:30 o'clock P.M.

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Afternoon Session

Presbytery met at 2:30 P.M. -
Ruling Elder J. R. Moore was excused from further attendance at this meeting.
Rev F. W. Farries was excused from further attendance after this afternoon's session, and Revs C. N. Wharton, D. Munroe, and Ruling Elders J. L. Henderson, Walter Bullock & C. A. Lewis, after tonight's session

Committee on Statistical Report made a report which was approved and was ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly

The committee on Sessional Records (No 1.) made a report which was approved and the exceptions sustained -

Ruling Elder W. T. Savage of the Nahalah church appeared, and after rendering a satisfactory excuse for tardiness was enrolled.

The Missionary supplies appointed last fall reported generally that the duty had been performed -

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The Committee on Bills and Overtures made verbal report that nothing had come into their hands and were discharged -

The following Missionary supplies were appointed.

One Sabbath at	Aurora	Rev. H. S. Bradshaw
" " "	Macclesfield	Rev. J. B. Morton
" " "	Dover	Rev. F. W. Farries
" " "	Greenville	Rev. E. D. Brown
" " "	Young Memorial	Rev. J. E. Wool.
" " "	" "	Rev. C. N. Wharton
" " "	" "	Rev. E. P. Bradley
" " "	Strickland	Rev. James Thomas.
" " "	Aurora	Rev. E. D. Brown
" " "	"	Rev. J. H. Jarvis.
" " "	Parmele	Rev. D. Munroe.
" " "	Grenville	Rev. W. D. Morton.
" " "	Franklinton	Rev. E. Daniel.

Rev F. W. Farries was appointed a committee of one to visit Dover & investigate the Dover case with authority to use his discretion in its settlement & report at next meeting of Presbytery.

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Home Missions

The report on Home Missions was then taken up and its recommendations were adopted. The report showed that very decided and encouraging progress had been made along all lines. That after years of struggles & discouragements the Committee had closed the present year free from debt. The committee made a special appeal in behalf the work in Hyde Co.

The following are the recommendations:

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Warrenton to raise	$250
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Synod's Committee	142
Presbytery's "	108
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2. Kinston Field. Rev. E. D. Brown.

Kinston to raise	$400
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Presbytery's " " "	108
Total	$675

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3. Weldon Group. Rev. D. Munroe.

Weldon to raise	$150
Roanoke Rapids " "	50
Scotland Neck " "	35
Halifax " "	90
Roanoke " "	15
Synod's Com. " "	245
Presbytery's " " "	165
Total	$750

4. Greenville Field - To be supplied by Rev J. B. Morton until a pastor is secured.

Greenville to Raise	$300
Parmele & Everetts " "	75
Falkland " "	60
Dover " "	75
Synod's Com. " "	200
Presbytery's " " "	150
Total	$860

5. Hyde Co. Field. Rev J. H. Jarvis.

The field to raise	$100
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6. Nutbush Field. Rev. E. P. Bradley

Nutbush.	To raise	$275
Grassy Creek	" "	75
Oak Hill	" "	150
Synod's Com.	" "	55
Presbytery's	" " "	45
	Total:—	$600

Mr Bradley is directed to take the oversight of Young Memorial.

7. Wilson Field Rev. James Thomas.

Wilson	To raise	$400
La Grange	" "	125
Synod's Com	" "	115
Presbytery's	" " "	110
	Total.	$750

I "Rev E. D. Brown is directed to do mission work at his discretion in the counties of Jones and Greene; also at Aurora."

III "Rev W. D. Morton to labor as Evangelist on the fifth sabbaths at his discretion Salary $50."

IV "Rev N. S. Bradshaw is requested to take the oversight of the Aurora Church"

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V "Presbytery reappoints the Second Sunday in December as Home Mission Day, for a general collection for Presbyterial Home Missions"

VI "That Rev Dr Morton give either the 4th Sabbath of April or 1st Sabbath of May to a meeting at Piney Oak, Hyde Co.; and that he repay Rocky Mount with the 5th Sabbath in June."

Church & Christian Education.

The report on Church and Christian Education was then taken up and adopted. It is as follows:

"The little interest heretofore manifested in this cause renders it apparent that we should either remove it from the place it occupies on our docket, and in our table of apportionments, or give to it the interest and attention to which it is entitled.

We heartily recommend the latter course. The interest that is resulting in such successful work in the western part of our state is extending eastward.

Some of the money already contributed to

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The Synodical Committee of which Dr Shearer is Chairman has been awaiting our call for many months, but we have not a vestige of a school of this sort from one end of our broad Presbyterial land to the other. And no school of any kind save the one noble Institution at Raleigh for which we are all always to work & pray. But there are inviting openings and your committee recommends

1. That the Pastor of the Church at Tarboro, and Elders Almond and Theo. Fountain and Deacon Charles L. Fountain with such other citizens as they may select in the neighborhood of Phiect church be appointed a committee to act with reference to the establishment of a church school in close proximity to that church using such funds as may be available from the Com. of Church and Christian Education or Elsewhere, not bringing the Presbytery into any pecuniary obligation

2nd That a Similar Committee consisting of the Pastor of the Tarboro Church, with Dr J. D. Jenkins, Prof. J. Fred. Webb, and Elder George Howard,

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of Tarboro and any other two citizens of Chap be empowered to purchase the South Atlantic Academy, if practicable, and to raise money for this purpose: but so as in no way to assume any debt for the Presbytery of Albemarle

3rd That a similar Committee be appointed to consider and act in the Establishment of a school of high grade in Hyde Co., to be under the control of this Presbytery.

That said Committee is to have full authority to locate said school, to raise and appropriate funds to carry out said scheme, but so as not to incur any debt for this Presbytery

That said Committee shall consist of Rev. W. D. Morton D.D., C. M. Brown, N. F. Jarvis and Rev. J. H. Jarvis and any citizen of Hyde who may be selected by them.

4th In regard to the Evangelistic and Bible Institute to be held at Davidson this year we recommend, that pastors bring the matter before their people and use every effort to have delegates from the Sessions, Boards of Deacons,

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Ladies Societies & Sabbath schools, appointed to attend these meetings

5th That the apportionment, which aggregate only $92 be raised to an aggregate of $250 and that diligent effort be made to raise this amount and that it be sent to our Presbyterial Chairman who is to report the same to our Synodical Chairman

16 of our 34 Churches have contributed $153.31 to this cause -

6th That a committee be appointed to consider the whole matter of the Educational interests of the Presbytery, & Especially in relation to the distribution of the 20th Century Fund and report to the next meeting of Presbytery- "

Signed. J. B. Morton Chairman

The Moderator appointed on the committee called for in the above report, Rev E. Daniel D.D. Rev W. D. Morton D.D., Ruling Elders C. M. Brown and H. E. Shaw.

Committee on Ch. & Christian Education

Rev's J. B. Morton, Jno. E. Wool and Ruling Elder J. L. Henderson were chosen as the Committee of Church and Christian Education.

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The Committee to audit the accounts of the The Treasurer of Presbytery and of the Agent of Home Missions - Made the following report which was adopted:-

"We have Examined the accounts and vouchers & make the following report to wit:

Educational Fund.

Cash on hand Apr 1, 1901	$153.83
Received during the year	225.46
	$379.29
Paid out as per vouchers	379.29

Presbyterial Fund

Cash on hand Apr. 1, 1901	$96.70
Received during the year	$467.65
	$564.35
Paid out as per Vouchers	342.05
Cash on hand to Bal-	$222.30

Representatives Fund

Cash on hand Apr. 1, 1901	$10.15
Received during the year	108.00
	$118.15
Paid Expenses of Representatives to this meeting	93.21
Cash on hand	$24.94

We recommend that the apportionments be continued on the same plan. We also suggest that the Treasurer buy a new book.

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We find on examination of the accounts of the Agent of Home Missions That he has collected during the year the sum of - $888.33
Has paid out as per Vouchers 885.35
Leaving on hand $2.98

Respectfully Submitted
C. M. Brown } Com -
N. B. Daniel
C. A. Lewis

The committee on the Narrative made a report which was adopted and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly

The Com. on Systematic Benevolence made a report which was adopted and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

Ruling Elder N. B. Daniel was excused after tonight.

Rev D. Munroe was appointed Agent, pro tem, of the Bible Cause.

Presbytery then took recess till 7:45 p.m.

Friday Night - Rocky Mount, Apr 19, 1907

Presbytery met at 7:45, p.m.

The following report on Sessional duties was adopted: "After careful consideration of the reports of the Sessions, your Committee has come to the following conclusions: 1st That our Saviours words "the poor ye have always with you" do not apply to the churches of Albemarle Presbytery, as only a few churches seem to have any poor, but these care for them.

2. Nearly every Church reporting has sent representatives to both meetings of Presbytery, but some have omitted sending them to Synod. Reports of diligence have generally been made by representatives on their return.

3. The expenses of Minister and Elder to the Spring meetings are paid out of the Representatives Fund. Most of the churches have paid the expenses of Minister & Elder to Fall Meetings of Presbytery and Synod - Some Elders have not gone to Synod for the reason that their expenses were not paid.

4. The salary of the minister fully paid in four-fifths of the churches. In one over-paid - a few have not paid in full, but steps are being taken in all but one to have it speedily paid.

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5th All of the collections ordered by the Assembly were omitted by Six of our Churches - Nearly all by Three - The Bible Cause was omitted by Five, Assembly's Home Missions by Three, Relief Fund by Three, Publication by Two Education by Two, Colored Evangelization by One Foreign Missions by one. Twelve of the Churches have omitted none. The reasons given for the omissions were - "vacant Churches" "once a month preaching", "more Causes than preaching" &c

6th The Presbyterial Assessment has been paid in full by 20 of our Churches, in part by 3, not paid by Two - Some have made no report on this subject.

7th The Basket collection seems most popular in our churches. Many however use the Envelope system - Some use both - Some take a subscription and have Deacons collect it. The offerings in some are made weekly, some monthly, and some quarterly"

The Agent of Sabbath Observance made a report which was adopted & ordered forwarded to the Assembly's Com. on that Subject

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Under the auspices of the Women's Missionary Union of Albemarle Presbytery - the presbytery then held a popular meeting in the interest of Missions Dr Daniel presided & conducted suitable devotional Exercises. Addresses were made by Revs Jno E. Wool and J. B. Morton after which a collection was taken amounting to $18.24 - to be divided Equally between Presbyterial Home Missions and Foreign Missions

Presbytery then heard Mr N. M. McAllister in the interest of the Presbyterian Standard and Rev. A. Munroe was appointed to bring in a resolution in regard to said paper tomorrow.

Rev. J. H. Jarvis was excused from further attendance

Presbytery then adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at nine o'clock - Closed with prayer.

Fourth Day - Saturday - 9 a.m.

Presbytery met at 9 a.m. and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by the Moderator

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

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The Committee on The Church Catechism reported as follows: "The time has passed when any criticisms from this Presbytery would be of value to The Assembly's Committee. Your Committee therefore asks to be discharged"
[Adopted]

The following resolution by Dr Summerell was adopted: "The thanks of the Presbytery of Albemarle are tendered to Ruling Elder J. L. Fowle of The Washington Church for advancing $75 to secure the life estate on the property in Hyde Co., and the Presbytery promises to refund the same within 30 days through the Chairman of Home Missions; who is hereby ordered to advance said amount from the H. M. funds, in case special arrangements for raising this amount have not been perfected by the end of the time specified."

Committee on Westminster Leagues made a report which was received and approved.

The following paper in regard to the Presbyterian Standard

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was adopted - "Resolved: that Presbytery has heard with pleasure Mr. N. M. McAllister Bus. Manager of the Presbyterian Standard and the earnest words of commendation by several brethren. We congratulate the paper upon its increased circulation in all parts of our South land, and heartily commend it to all our people as adapted to edify, to comfort and to fortify them in the principles of Christianity as understood by Presbyterians."

Rev D. Monroe made a report on the Bible Cause - which was received and approved - after which he was, on motion elected Agent of that Cause -

Dr Daniel made an encouraging verbal report on Peace Institute.

The following addition to the report on Christian Education was adopted: "Resolved that the Committee on Church and Christian Education

be empowered to organize other Church Schools in addition to those already provided for in their report"

On motion the names of Revs J. B. Morton J. E. Wool and Elder J. L. Henderson were added to the special Committee called for in the report on Church and Christian Education.

The Com. on the 20th Century Fund made a report which was approved - and on motion Revs E. D. Brown and C. H. Wharton were added to that Committee

Com. on the Manual made a verbal report and Rev E. D. Brown was on motion made Chairman of that Committee.

Rev. E. Daniel, D.D. was elected Historian of Presbytery

Rev. James Thomas was reelected Trustee of Davidson College -

Time of next meeting was made Sept. 24, at 8: P. M -

A resolution of thanks was adopted by rising vote

and the pastor of this church requested to read it to the congregation tomorrow.

The minutes of this morning's Session were read and approved. After which Presbytery adjourned to meet in Wilson N.C. Sept. 24, 1902 at 8: P.M.

Closed with Prayer & Apostolic Benediction,

E. D. Brown } Clerks.
C. M. Brown }

Attest: E. D. Brown, Stated Clerk.

Minutes of Twenty-Seventh Session of Albemarle Presbytery

At

Wilson, N.C. Sept 24th 1902. 8 P.M.

Presbytery met at this time and place and was opened with a sermon by the Moderator, Rev H. S. Bradshaw from 2 Tim. 4:6-8. After which Presbytery was constituted with prayer.

The roll was called and following were present. Ministers:

Roll

E. Daniel D.D., James Thomas, E. D. Brown, W. A. Morton D.D., E. P. Bradley, H. S. Bradshaw, Jno. E. Wool, Dugald Munroe, J. H. Henderlite and G. W. Lawson. Ruling Elders:

J. F. Cole, Oak Hill; Julius Lewis, Raleigh; J. J. White Rocky Mount; Owen Williams, Tarboro; C. M. Brown, Washington and N. R. Strickland, Wilson.

Officers

The Rev J. E. Wool was elected Moderator; and Rev D. Munroe & Elder C. M. Brown, Temporary Clerks.

Rev Jas. Thomas and ruling Elder N. R. Strickland were appointed a Standing Committee on Devotional Exercises.

The following hours of meeting were fixed:

Morning Session: From 9:30 a.m. to 1 P.M.
Afternoon " Meet at 3 P.M. Take recess at will.
Night " " " 8 P.M. & adjourn at will.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

Closed with prayer by the Moderator.

Thursday Sept 25th

Presbytery met at 9:30 a.m. and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by the Moderator.

The minutes of last night's session were read and approved.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with as the printed minutes are in the hands of the members.

The minutes of the Called meetings were then read corrected and approved. They are as follows:

Called Meeting at Henderson

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"The Presbytery of Albemarle convened at the call of the moderator in the Presbyterian church at Henderson, N.C. July 25th, at 8:30 P.M. A sermon was preached by Rev E. Daniel D.D. from Rom. 8:31, after which presbytery was constituted with prayer by Rev E. P. Bradley, the last moderator present.

Revs C.N. Wharton was chosen as Temporary Clerk The following were present - Revs E. Daniel, C.N. Wharton, E.P. Bradley, W.D. Morton, + Jno E. Wool, and ruling Elder C.A. Lewis of the Henderson Church.

A quorum being present the moderator declared the body ready for business and read the call for this meeting

A call from the Presbyterian Church of Pulaski Va. for the pastoral services of Rev J. B. Morton was read - Also a petition from Rev Mr Morton asking for a dissolution of the pastoral relations between himself and the Larbors church that he may accept the call from Pulaski, with a letter from

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The Larbors church concurring in the same - On motion his request was granted and the Stated directed to furnish him with a letter of dismissal to the Presbytery of Abingdon -

The following paper offered by Mr Wharton was unanimously adopted by Presbytery; "Whereas our brother Rev J. B. Morton, who for so many years has been identified with this Presbytery, has been called and dismissed to another Presbytery: and Whereas his work among us has been of such a wide and general character, not only as pastor of one of our most influential churches, but also in a time when this Presbytery was in great perplexity he was chosen and became a devoted and eminently successful Chairman of Home Missions: Successful to such an extent that only at his urgent request, because of poor health was he permitted to lay it down: and up to present is the energetic, enthusiastic and faithful

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Sunday School Agent of the Presbytery.
Therefore be it resolved, that it is
The sense of this Presbytery;
1st That is with keen regret and sorrow
that we separate from our brother.
2nd That we recognize and appreciate his
labors and fellowship with us.
3rd That we pray God's richest blessings
upon him and his household, and commend
him to the affectionate regard of those
to whom in God's wisdom he has been
called, as a wise and faithful Presbyter,
a clear and forceful preacher of the cross,
and a valued friend and brother.
4th That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded
to Mr Morton."

The Rev J. W. Henderlite presented
a letter of dismissal from the Presbytery of Norfolk
which was received and after the usual
examination he was received as a
member of this Presbytery.
A call from the Henderson Church for his
pastoral services was read, found in order,

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placed in his hands and accepted by him.
Presbytery then appointed a commission
to install him on the 27th of July, consisting
of Rev J. E. Wool and ruling Elder C. A. Revis
of the Henderson Church.
The Rev Gordon Matthison of Orange Presbytery
was introduced and invited to sit as
a corresponding member.
On motion he was asked to assist
in the installation of Mr Henderlite.
The minutes were read and approved
after which Presbytery adjourned.
Closed with prayer.

Signed; C. N. Wharton, Clerk.

Called Meeting at Goldsboro.

Goldsboro, N.C. Aug. 19, 1902.

Presbytery met at this time & place
pursuant to the following call:
"The necessary requirements having been
complied with I hereby call Albemarle
Presbytery to meet in the Presbyterian
Church Goldsboro N.C. Aug. 19, 1902 at
8:P.M. to transact the following business:

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1. To receive Rev G. W. Lawson from the Presbytery of Norfolk and to arrange for his installation as pastor of The Washington Church.

2. To dismiss Rev J. Spencer Smith to The Presbytery of Lexington

Signed: W. S. Bradshaw. Mod.

Hillsboro, N.C. Aug. 8, 1902. "

Presbytery was called to order by Rev E. D. Brown, the last moderator present There were present Revs F. W. Farris E. D. Brown and ruling Elder John Slaughter. No quorum being present adjournment was made till tomorrow morning at 7:30.

Thursday morning

Presbytery met and was opened with prayer Rev Jas. Thomas having appeared a quorum was present and Presbytery proceeded to the business in hand. Rev G. W. Lawson presented a letter of dismissal from the Presbytery of Norfolk and after the usual examination was received

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and his name enrolled as a member of this Presbytery.

A call from the Washington church for his services as pastor was found in order, placed in his hands & accepted by him.

The following commission was appointed to instal him the 5th Sabbath in August. viz; Rev. W. S. Bradshaw to preach & preside. Rev E. D. Brown to deliver the charge to the pastor, Rev W. D. Morton the charge to the congregation with Rev Jas. Thomas as alternate to either. and ruling Elder James L. Foote.

The Rev J. Spencer Smith was, at his own request granted a letter of dismissal to the Presbytery of Lexington.

The minutes were approved after which Presbytery adjourned Closed with prayer.

Signed: E. D. Brown, Stated Clerk

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Rev F. W. Farries and ruling Elder F. G. Bickman appeared, and after giving satisfactory excuses for tardiness were enrolled.

The Moderator appointed the following Standing Committees:

Standing Committees Appointed

1. Calls & Installations: Rev J. W. Henderlite and C. M. Brown.
2. Minutes of the General Assembly: Rev Jas. Thomas and J. F. Cole.
3. Statistical Report to Synod: Rev. E. P. Bradley and J. J. White.

A communication from the Assembly's Home and School was read and was on motion docketted.

A communication from the Assembly's Committee on Ministerial Relief was read & referred to a special Committee consisting of Revs E. Daniel, J. W. Henderlite and Elder F. G. Bickman.

The reports of the Commission to install Rev J. W. Henderlite at Henderson & Rev E. W. Lawson at Washington were read and approved. They

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are as follows: 1. "The Commission appointed to install Rev Jas. W. Henderlite over the Henderson Church, would report the duty performed on Sunday morning July 27th 1902. The Rev John E. Wool presided propounded the constitutional questions, preached the Sermon & charged the Pastor, Rev. R. G. Matthewson, by request charged the people.

Jno. E. Wool. Chairman."

2. "The Commission appointed to install Rev E. W. Lawson pastor of the Washington church report the duty performed at the time appointed viz: Aug 31, 1902. The following members were present: Revs W. D. Morton, E. D. Brown, & Ruling Elder Jas. L. Fowle. Mr Fowle acted as clerk. Rev E. D. Brown presided & delivered the charge to the pastor, Rev. Dr Morton preached the Sermon & delivered the charge to the people.

Signd J. L. Fowle, Clerk."

Dr Daniel requested that the pastoral relation between himself and the 1st Church

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of Raleigh be dissolved - A communication from the Church, concurring with him in his request was read and on motion the matter was referred to a Committee consisting of Revs. F. W. Farris and C. D. Morton to report as the first order of the day this afternoon.

Inasmuch as our Agent of Sabbath Schools has removed from this Presbytery and no arrangements were made therefor; The holding of a Sunday School Convention during this meeting was on motion dispensed with.

Time & Place of Next Meeting

Kinston, N. C. was selected as the place, and Tuesday April 14, 1903, at 8:30 P. M. as the time for the next regular meeting.

Revs. E. D. Brown, H. S. Bradshaw and Elder Owen Williams were appointed a Committee to suggest names for filling vacancies in the Permanent Committees &c.

Rev. F. D. Thomas of the Presbytery of Athens was introduced & invited to sit as a corresponding member.

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The Treasurer read a Statement of the funds now on hands - Sept. 21, 1902 viz;

I Presbyterial Fund	$84.15
II Representatives "	$24.94

It was ordered that a popular meeting in the interest of Missions be held tonight at 8 o'clock and that we hear the report of the Chairman of Home Missions at that time.

The Agent of Colportage & Publication made a verbal report which was approved.

Mr H. M. McAllister, Bus. Manager of the Presbyterian Standard was heard in the interests of that paper -

Colored Evangelization

The Agent of Colored Evangelization made the following report which was adopted; "Your Agent would report that 20 Churches have contributed to this cause during the year - $132 - Being an increase of $13.50 over last year. Fourteen churches have failed to contribute. Your Agent would therefore recommend. 1. That Presbytery urge upon Sessions & pastors

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The necessity for taking this collection and of interesting the people in this great cause — 2. That churches Treasurers be directed to forward all contributions for this cause to the Treas. of the Assembly's Committee at Tuscaloosa Ala.

Your Agent would report further that nothing has been done in regard to arranging institutes for "religious development + instruction of colored ministers within our bounds", because, in his opinion it is impracticable at this time — He would call the attention of Presbytery to the request of Dr Lilly, that Pastors + Sessions forward to him the names of promising young colored men with whom he may correspond + interest in the subject of Education + the Gospel Ministry —

"Respectfully submitted; E.P. Bradley, Agent."

The Communication from the Assembly's Home + School was taken from the docket and referred to Revs. J.H. Henderlite, E.P. Bradley + Elder C.M. Brown, who were

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directed to consider same + report during this meeting.

Revs Jas. Thomas and Elder John Hutchenson made a verbal report of their attendance at the last General Assembly, which was approved and their diligence commended.

Roll was called for reports of Missionary supplies appointed at last meeting — Most of them reported duty performed.

Presbytery then took recess until 3 - P.M. —

At 3. P.M. Presbytery resumed its sessions.

The special committee to consider + report on request of Dr Daniel, made the following report, which was unanimously adopted viz: "The Presbytery of Albemarle having heard the request of Rev E. Daniel, D.D., for the dissolution of his pastoral relation with the 1st Presbyterian Church of Raleigh, N.C., and having

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heard a report from that congregation, who regretfully concurred in his request, after careful deliberation:- Be it therefore

Resolved 1st That the pastoral relation heretofore existing between the Rev E. Daniel, D.D., and the 1st Presbyterian Church of Raleigh, be, and the same is hereby dissolved, to take effect after the last sabbath in September 1902, with a view to his accepting the invitation from the Church of Lewisburg in the Presbytery of Greenbrier - W. Va.

2nd That the Rev E. Daniel, D.D., having accepted the invitation from the Church at Lewisburg be, and hereby is dismissed from this Presbytery, and recommended to the Presbytery of Greenbrier, and is hereby required to repair to the Presbytery, after the last sabbath in this month, that proper steps may be taken for his regular settlement in that congregation.

While reluctantly taking this action, the Presbytery desires to place on record its high appreciation of the wise & accurate

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scholarship of Dr. Daniel, of his ability and faithfulness as a preacher of "the glorious Gospel of the Blessed God", of his unselfish and unwearying labors as a pastor, his fearless and unfaltering devotion to the hallowed doctrines of our church, and his great and manifold services to this Presbytery & to the Church at large.

They also place on record the high esteem and affection which they cherish for him personally, for his many manly and Christian virtues, for his ready sympathy and cheerful and efficient helpfulness, so that he is ~~not~~ only esteemed & honored, not only as an able and faithful fellow-presbyter, but as a brother greatly beloved. And to the congregation whose invitation he accepts, and the Presbytery to whom he is now dismissed, we most sincerely and affectionately commend him as a brother greatly beloved, and as one who, we are assured, will, among them in the future, as with us in the past, acquit himself as "a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth".

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Further, The Presbytery beg to assure our Brother that they shall follow him and his esteemed family with earnest prayers for their continued well-being and prosperity.

To the congregation of the 1st Church, Raleigh, bereft by this action of a pastor greatly beloved and esteemed, the Presbytery extends its sincere sympathy, and prays that "the God of peace" may be with them, and that the Great Head of the Church, whose servants go and come at his bidding, may, in due time, send to them a "pastor, after his own heart, who shall go in and out among them, breaking to them the bread of life" -

Signed F. W. Farries, W. D. Morton } Com."

The Stated Clerk was directed to furnish copies of the above resolutions to Dr Daniel, The Stated Clerk of Cumberland Presbytery. also to The Presbyterian Standard and the Central Presbyterian for publication.

Ruling Elders Bryan Williams, J. J. White, J. F. Cole were excused after tonights session.

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The following Missionary Supplies were appointed

Missionary Supplies

Rev J. N. Vanderlite at Young Mem'l, 3rd Sunday in Oct. & 4th Sat. night in Jan.
" E. P. Bradley - At Young Mem'l 5th Sab. in Nov. & 5th Sab. in Mar.
" C. N. Wharton " " " 3rd Sab. in Dec. & 3rd Sab. night in Feb.
" J. H. Jarvis one Sunday at Aurora
" E. D. Brown " " " "
" H. S. Bradshaw " " " "
" D. Munroe " " " Greenville
" W. D. Morton " " " "
" G. W. Lawson " " " "
" Jas Thomas " " " Strickland
" W. D. Morton " " " "
" F. W. Farries " " " Dover.

Door Case

Rev F. W. Farries made a verbal report on the Dover Case. The Committee was on motion continued and Rev H. S. Bradshaw and Elder H. E. Shaw were added to it and the committee was instructed to make inquiry concerning a letter written by Dr Daniel under the authority of Presbytery, what answer they make to same, & report at next meeting for final action.

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Rev W.D. Morton read an interesting report of his work as an Evangelist since the last meeting of Presbytery, which was approved and his diligence commended -

Church Organized in Hyde Co. May 4, 1902.

He also made the following report of the organization of a church in Hyde Co.: "I would report to Presbytery the organization of a Presbyterian Church in Hyde Co. N.C. on May 4, 1902, with fifteen members. Rev J. W. Jarvis was left in charge and later he received several others and held an Election for officers. The congregation Elected Mr William A. Harris, ruling Elder, and Capt George Williams and Mr Joseph W. Green, deacons - Signd

W. D. Morton."

The report was approved and name of church ordered enrolled.

Ministerial Education

The Agent of Ministerial Education reported that since his appointment last Spring he had received the following amounts for this Cause viz Oak Hill $3.00, Goldsboro $10.00, Nutbush $2.24

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Newbern $15.00 Washington $32.50 Total $62.54 That this amount is now on hand in the Commercial & Farmers Bank of Raleigh, N.C. That application is made by our Candidate E. C. Caldwell for $100.00 for this year - In view of his contemplated removal the Agent Dr Daniel tendered his resignation and asked that his successor be appointed - The report was approved - and the amount asked for, viz $100 was appropriated to Mr Caldwell.

The Agent of Ministerial Education was directed, in future, to send first, the amounts appropriated by Presbytery to our candidates; and send the surplus, if there be any, to the Assembly's Executive Committee.

Presbytery took recess till 8 p.m.

At 8 p.m. Presbytery resumed its session Rev. F. W. Jarvis was excused from further attendance at this meeting

The Committee of Home Mission made a report which was adopted and is as follows:

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Home Missions.

"The Home Mission work in the Established groups of Churches has been but little modified since the spring meeting of Presbytery. The Tarboro Church was vacated by the Rev. J.B. Morton and this vacated the mission point at Black, yet they seem very anxious for Ministerial service, and your Chairman has agreed, upon an urgent request to assist them in a series of services in the near future. As soon as the Tarboro congregation is supplied it is our hope to have it served by the same minister.

The Greenville field agreed upon a Minister, and he hoped to accept their offer, but sickness in his family prevented, and they are turning elsewhere in hope of supplying their pulpits.

Rev Wm Black visited Enfield in April. Rev Mr Munroe and your Chairman assisted him in the conduct of a series of meetings. There were fine congregations and a number of confessions of faith in Christ and there is some prospect of effecting a church organization

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There. The Rev. A. Munroe is preaching regularly in the Weldon field, and arrangements are in progress to retain him in the field next year.

The Wilson church is in a healthy state of growth and promises a steady increase in strength & efficiency.

We desire to call the attention of the Presbytery again to the vast, unexplored territory North and East of the Chowan river. Except in Elizabeth City we have no organization in these six counties. They have a population of more than fifty thousand souls. And in this large population we are as yet, effecting nothing whatever. We should strain every nerve to place an Evangelist in this section. A member of our Synod offers to give $25 to aid in this enterprise. We ought to consider this matter prayerfully and strive to reach these perishing souls, which have by Divine appointment

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been placed within our Ecclesiastical jurisdiction.

Rev E. E. Gillespie is assisting us in efforts to secure a minister for the Elizabeth City Church. Arrangements were made for a valuable man to visit the field last Sunday; and we greatly hope that we can succeed in settling him there at an early day.

The Work at Kinston in the Atkinson Memorial Church is in a healthy and growing condition.

Rev E. P. Bradley has labored earnestly and successfully in the churches of Nut Bush, Grassy Creek and Oak Hill. The two last named have greatly improved their houses of Worship, and the whole field is in a hopeful and prosperous condition.

Recommendation

WE recommend that Rev J. E. Wool be directed to give, if practicable, his fifth Sabbaths to the Shiloh Church."

Signed: W. D. Morfoze. Chairman.

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Popular Meeting

A Popular meeting was held in the interest of missions and addresses were made by Revs D. Munroe, J. H. Hundertide and Dr. Daniel. A collection amounting to $10.03 was taken for Presbyterial Home Missions.

After which Presbytery adjourned to meet at 9:30 tomorrow morning

Closed with Prayer.

Friday Morning.

Presbytery met at 9:30 o'clock and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by Rev G. W. Lawson.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read, corrected and approved.

Rev C. N. Wharton was excused from attendance at this session of Presbytery and the Stated Clerk was directed to assure him of the sympathy of Presbytery in this affliction - after which Presbytery was led in prayer by Dr. Morton in behalf of Bro. Wharton and his afflicted companion.

The following is the Statistical Report to Synod:

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Statistical Report.

1. Ministers 14; Churches 35; Candidates 3; Communicants 2205; aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending Mar. 31, 1902, $20,695; being $1759.32 less than last year.

2. 187 Members were added to the Churches: a) On Profession of faith 102; b) By Certificate 85.

3. Three ministers were received viz: Rev. D. Munroe Nov. 1901; Rev J. H. Henderlite, July 1902; and Rev G. W. Lawson Aug. 1902.

4. Four ministers were transferred viz: Rev A. R. Shaw to Norfolk Presbytery Dec. 3, 1901; Rev J. N. H. Summerell D.D. " " " Apr 16, 1902; Rev J. S. Smith " Lexington " Aug 1902; Rev J. E. Morton " Abingdon " July 1902.

5. 1 Church organized - in Hyde Co. May 4, 1902

6 No Churches transferred or dissolved.

7 No licentiates received

8 " " transferred.

9. One candidate received: J. F. Rodman, April 17, 1902

10 No candidates transferred

11. One Minister Died, Rev F. H. Johnston D.D, Nov. 14, 1901.

12 1 Ordination. J. H. Jarvis Apr. 17, 1902.

13. 2. Installations: J. H. Henderlite at Henderson, July 1902; G. W. Lawson at Washington, Aug. 1902

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14 3 dissolutions of Pastoral relations: Rev J. N. H. Summerell & Washington Church Apr. 1902; Rev A. R. Shaw and Henderson " Dec. 1901; Rev J. B. Morton & Tarboro " July 1902.

15. No licensures 16. Fourteen ministers serve 23 churches; No stated supplies; 6 Evangelists; 9 Pastors; 1 Foreign Missionary - Africa.

17. Eleven Churches Vacant.

18 Average salary of Ministers in charge of Churches $880.00

19 Manses 11; Value $22,000

20. 23 Sunday Schools; 21. 42 Societies.

22 No Minister or Church in 13 Counties; Viz, Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Green, Hertford, Pamlico, Perquimans, Northampton, Tyrrel, and Washington.

23. Next Stated Meeting at Kinston April 14, 1903, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Signed { E. P. Bradley, John J. White } Com.

The Stated Clerk read the Narrative of the Presbytery & the report on Systematic Beneficence - and they ordered to be forwarded to Synod.

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Answer to Assembly's Overture on Latin Thesis

"Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly made the following report which was adopted the vote being 6 for & 5 against.

"Your committee recommend that we answer the assembly's overture in regard to the Latin Thesis in the negative

Jas Thomas } Com."
J. F. Cole

The following was also adopted.

"In addition to its vote in the negative on the assembly's overture, the Presbytery adopts and orders published the following reasons for this action:- 1. Because the tendency of the day is away from classical study and the Presbytery, believing that such study is of advantage to its ministers, is unwilling to throw its influence on the side of that tendency. 2. Because the effect of this action will be to encourage students to pursue such an educational course in college as will not include Latin at all; they justifying themselves by saying that their church attaches little importance to that study.

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3rd Because the Church can now be better be employed in raising her standard and in pushing on her great work."

The Committee to suggest names to fill vacancies on Permanent Committees, agents &c. made a report which was adopted and is as follows:-

1. Com. of Home Missions, Rev G. W. Lawson
2. Advisory Board for Peace Institute: Rev N. S. Bradshaw.
3. Church & Xian Education. Rev G. W. Lawson. (Chairman)
4. Young People's and other Societies: Rev E. P. Bradley and Mr John B. Sparrow.
5. In Committee on Examination of Candidates:
Literary & Scientific Course. Rev. J. E. Wool.
Theology & Philosophy. Revs N. S. Bradshaw & D. Munroe.
6. Agent of Foreign Missions. Rev J. N. Hendrlite
" " Ministerial Education Rev N. S. Bradshaw.
" " Sabbath Schools Rev G. W. Lawson
7. Historian E. D. Brown
8. Com. on Revision of Manual. Rev. F. W. Ferrier.

The report of the Committee on the distribution of the 20th Cent. Fund was read & adopted & is as follows:

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Report of Com. on Distribution of 20th Cent. Fund

"Your Committee has learned that there is a large demand for a school of high grade in Hyde Co. in the field now occupied by Rev J. H. Jarvis, and would also refer the Presbytery to its action taken at Rocky Mount N. C. [See printed minutes of Spring meeting apr. 1902 p. 27.]

Furthermore the purchase of an eligible Church and manse lot for the Church in Hyde necessitated the purchase of the life right to an adjoining lot suitable for school purposes. For want of funds and for other reasons the fee simple title to this land has not been secured.

Your Committee has learned furthermore that a portion of the 20th Cent. Fund for Education contributed by the Northern Church is now due this Presbytery for her Educational work. Your committee therefore recommends that the Presbytery authorize our committee of Church and Xian Education to use such funds for the advance of this school enterprise in Hyde County as may fall to this Presbytery in the distribution by the Synod's Committee on the 20th Cent. Fund."

Recommendation

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Assembly's Home & School

The Special Committee on the communication from the Supt. of the Assembly's Home & School made report, recommending: 1st "That the apportionment of $80.00 as our part of the old debt on the Home & School be assumed, and met in such a way as not to interfere with or take the place of the regular annual gifts of the Churches to the support of the institution.

& whereas the Treasurer of Presbytery informed us that he will probably have sufficient funds to meet this obligation, if all our churches pay their Presbyterial Assessments we therefore recommend 2nd That he be directed to forward this amount as soon as practicable to Mr Sommerville.

3rd That if any deficit remains it shall be paid out of the Presbyterial funds of the next fiscal year.

Signed J. H. Henderlite, Chairman"

Ministerial Relief.

The Special Committee to consider the communication from the Assembly's Committee on Ministerial Relief reported recommending that Presbytery appoint a permanent committee on that subject. Adopted.

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Committee on Ministerial Relief.

Presbytery appointed on that Committee Rev. J. H. Henderlite, Chairman, and Ruling Elder C. A. Lewis, of Henderson.

Rev E. P. Bradley made a verbal report on the Shiloh Church recommending that the Church be not dissolved - Adopted

A Communication from Prof. Webb was read and referred to the Committee on Church & Christian Education

The Committee on Calls and Installations reported that the Call from the Tarboro Church for the services of Rev R. W. Alexander was found in order and the Church was authorised to prosecute same before the Presbytery of Macon.

Presbyterian Standard

The following paper in regard to The Presbyterian Standard was adopted. "Resolved: 1. Presbytery has heard with pleasure from the Business Manager of the Presbyterian Standard of the continued prosperity and contemplated improvement of the paper and cordially commends it to all our people as adapted to their wants and a true Exponent of orthodox Presbyterianism.

2. We encourage our ministers, ruling elders, deacons, private members and Sunday school children to comply with his request by exercising their gifts in occasionally writing news for its columns and expressing their views on live questions of the day. We warn them however to be careful not to mix those views with items of Church news."

Motion was made & carried that when we adjourn that we adjourn to meet at the call of the moderator during the Session of Synod at Winston N. C.

The usual resolution of thanks was adopted by a rising vote.

The Agent of Education was directed to assign trial parts for Licensure to Candidate E. C. Caldwell.

After which Presbytery adjourned to meet during the Sessions of Synod at Winston.

Closed with prayer singing and the Apostolic Benediction.

D. Munroe } Clerks
C. M. Brown

Attest: E. D. Brown
Stated Clerk.

Examined and approved, with the following exceptions.

1. On page 316, a break is made in the record of the regular meeting by the minutes of two called meetings being incorporated.

2. on page 316 in the record of the called meeting held at Henderson N.C. July 25. 1902, the call is not recorded.

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Oct. 23, 1902 W. T. Vardell
Moderator

Minutes of Called Meeting.

Tarboro N.C. Dec. 31, 1902.

3:30 p.m. At the time and place appointed for the called meeting only two members were present; viz: Rev D. Munroe & Elder Geo Howard of the Tarboro Church. They adjourned to meet Jan 1. at 9:45 a.m. in the Pastor's Study.

Jan 1st, 1903, 9:45 a.m.

Presbytery met and was called to order by Rev Jas. Thomas, the last moderator present. Presbytery was constituted with prayer. There were present Revs. W. D. Morton, James Thomas & D. Munroe with ruling Elder George Howard.

Rev D Munroe was made Temporary Clerk.

The following call of the moderator was read: "The Book of Church Order having been complied with, I call Albemarle Presbytery to meet in the Presbyterian Church, Tarboro, N.C. Dec. 31, 1902, at 3:30 P.M. for the following purposes:

1. To dismiss Rev. D. Munroe to the Presbytery of Fayetteville.

2. To receive Rev R. W. Alexander of the Presbytery Macon, (Ga) and install him Pastor of the Tarboro Church.

Oxford N.C. Dec. 17, 1902 Signed: Jno. E. Wool. Moderator"

On motion the second item was taken up first.

Rev. R. W. Alexander presented a letter of dismissal from the Presbytery of Macon to this Presbytery - The letter was read, and after the usual examinations, he was received and his name ordered enrolled as a member of the Presbytery of Albemarle.

For satisfactory reasons his installation as pastor of the Tarboro Church was postponed till the 5th Sabbath in March -

The following Commission was appointed to install him on that date: Revs Jas. Thomas & W. D. Morton with ruling Elder Geo. Howard. Mr Thomas to preside and charge the pastor; Dr Morton to preach the sermon & charge the people

Rev G. W. Lawson was appointed alternate to Mr Thomas, and Rev E. D. Brown alternate to Dr. Morton.

Rev D. Munroe offered his resignation as Evangelist of Presbytery and asked for a letter of dismissal to the Presbytery of Fayetteville -

On motion his resignation was accepted and the Stated Clerk directed to furnish him with a letter of dismissal to the Fayetteville Presbytery

The minutes were then read & approved. After which Presbytery adjourned & was closed with prayer by Bro. Munroe.

Signed: Jas. Thomas, Moderator.

Attest: E. D. Brown Stated Clerk. D. Munroe Tem. Clerk.

2. To receive Rev R. W. Alexander of the Presbytery Macon, (Ga) and install him Pastor of the Larboro Church.

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Signed: Jas. Thomas, Moderator.

Attest: E. D. Brown Stated Clerk. D. Munroe Tem. Clerk.

Minutes of the Twenty-eighth Session of Albemarle Presbytery

at

Kinston, N.C. April 14, 1903, 8 P.M.

Presbytery met at this time and place and was opened with a sermon by The Moderator, Rev. John E. Wool of Oxford N.C. from Geo. 4:10.

The Presbytery was then called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The roll was called and the following were present: Ministers: Jas. Thomas, E. D. Brown, W. D. Morton, D.D., E. P. Bradley, H. S. Bradshaw, Jno. E. Wool, J. H. Jarvis, J. H. Henderlite. - 8 -

Elders: H. E. Shaw, Atkinson Mem'l; T. B. Daniel, Geneva; T. Watkins, Henderson; H. M. McDonald, LaGrange; & N. B. Daniel, Oak Hill - 5 -

Rev J. H. Henderlite was chosen Moderator; and Rev. H. S. Bradshaw & Ruling Elder N. B. Daniel Temporary Clerks.

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The Hours of meeting were fixed as follows:

Morning Session - From 9:30 to 12:30

Afternoon " Meet at 3 P.M. take recess at will

Night " Meet at 8 P.M. & adjourn at will.

Rev E. D. Brown & Elder H. E. Shaw were appointed a Committee on Devotional Exercises --

On motion of the Pastor it was ordered that there be Preaching every Evening at Eight o'clock Except Thursday.

It was made first order after Preaching Service Wednesday Evening to hear Dr H. L. Smith in behalf of Davidson College and Christian Education

Presbytery then adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

Closed with prayer by Dr Morton.

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Presbytery met at 9:30 o'clock & was opened with devotional Exercises conducted by the Moderator. The minutes of last night's session were read & approved.

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Rev F. W. Farries was Excused for Tardiness and his name enrolled. Also Ruling Elder Julius Lewis of 1st Church Raleigh.

The Moderator announced the following Standing Committees:

S. Committees.

On Narrative: James Thomas and F. B. Daniel.

Sessional Duties: H. E. Bradshaw & Samuel Watkins.

Sys. Beneficence: Jno E. Wool and H. M. McDonald.

Statistical Report: E. D. Brown and E. P. Bradley.

Sessional Records: 1st Half: *F. G. Hartman & H. M. McDonald.
2nd Half: J. H. Jarvis and —

Auditing Com: ~~Samuel Watkins~~ Ruling Elder Lewis* and R. A. Bullock*.

Minutes of Synod: F. W. Farries and H. E. Shaw.

Calls & Installations: W. D. Morton D.D. and Julius Lewis.*

The Moderator appointed Rev F. W. Farries temporary agent of Sabbath Schools at the request of the regular Agent who was absent.

The reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting of called meeting at Zebulon (being printed) was on motion dispensed with.

The Narratives were read & referred to the Committee on Narrative

* added after the enrollment. (Stated Clerk)

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The following Ministers were introduced to Presbytery and invited to sit as corresponding members: Rev F. G. Hartman of the Presbytery of Greenbrier; Rev R. L. Grier of Presbytery of South Carolina; Rev C. W. McDonald of the Presbytery of Montgomery.

Dr Morton read a report from Rev C. N. Wharton of his work in the Warrenton field and his Excuse for absence was on motion sustained as satisfactory & the Stated asked to assure him of the sympathy of Presbytery.

Rev P. B. Hall of the Christian Church of Kinston, N.C. was introduced and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Church Organized at Markelville.

Rev J. H. Jarvis read following report which was approved:- "I wish to report to Presbytery the organization of a Presbyterian Church at Markelville Hyde Co. N.C. by Rev Wm Black and myself, Nov. 12, 1902, with fifteen members. An Election of officers was held & Messrs Geo. Mason & Chas. Ayres were Elected Elders; and Messrs G. W. Ayres and S. S. Jenette, Deacons. The name of the church is Markelville Presbyterian Church. Signed: J. H. Jarvis, Evangelist"

* name of Church enrolled.

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Rev J. G. Hartman presented, through the Stated Clerk, a letter of Dismissal from the Presbytery of Greenbrier to the Presbytery of Albemarle. On motion he was examined after the required form, the examination was sustained, & his name ordered enrolled as a member of this Presbytery.

On motion the 1st order for tonight was reconsidered and the preaching service was dispensed with.

A call from the Greenville Church for the services of Rev J. G. Hartman as pastor was read & referred to the Committee on Calls & Installations.

Presbytery took recess till 3 P.M.

Wednesday Afternoon

At 3 P.M. Presbytery resumed its sessions.

The Committee on the Dover Case reported that the matter had been settled by granting the parties a letter of dismissal. The letter is as follows:

"This certifies that Mr & Mrs J. E. Kornegay are members of the Presbyterian Church, Dover, N.C., but feeling themselves unable to accept the doctrine of the endless punishment of the wicked, held by the Presbyterian Church to be one of the cardinal truths of the Scriptures, and they now have removed beyond

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the bounds of the Dover Church, are at their own suggestion, hereby permitted to withdraw from said Church and the Committee of Presbytery direct that their names be now removed from the Roll of Communicants; and that the parties be furnished a copy of this paper, & that this action be announced to the Dover Congregation

Signed F. W. Farries
H. S. Bradshaw } Com.
H. C. Chaco

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The committee reported also that the parties had been furnished a copy of this paper, their names stricken from the Roll, & the Congregation notified of this action.

The report was approved & adopted.

The Commission appointed to install Rev R. W. Alexander, pastor of the Tarboro Church reported the duty performed on day appointed by Presbytery viz: March 29th 1903.

Committee on Revision of Manual reported that nothing had been done. The Committee was continued.

A communication from Dr S. L. Morris was read, and, on motion, referred to the Committee of Home Missions.

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A Committee consisting of Rev F.W. Farriss & Elder T.B. Daniel, was appointed to suggest names to fill vacancies on committees &c.

The following were nominated for Commissioners to the General Assembly: Ministers: W.D. Morton D.D. & E.P. Bradley, Elders: N.B. Daniel, Prof. Jas. Dinwiddie, John B. Sparrow & H. E. Shaw.

Rev James H. Henderlite was, on motion appointed moderator of the Session of the Brookston Church.

Rev E. H. Davis, pastor of the Kinston M.E. Church was introduced and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Presbytery took recess till 8 P.M.

Wednesday Night

At 8 P.M. Presbytery resumed its Session and heard an address by Dr H.L. Smith, President of Davidson College. On motion, Rev H.S. Bradshaw & N.B. Daniel were appointed a committee to draft a suitable minute with reference to Dr Smith's address.

Revs G. W. Lawson, R.W. Alexander & Elder R.A. Bullock of the Nutbush Church, were excused for Tarboro & Enfield

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Rev. G. W. Lawson was excused from further attendance after tonight's session.

A petition signed by fifteen persons asking that they be organized into a church in Nicholsonville, a suburb of Washington, N.C., the church to be named Payne Memorial, was read - and on motion the petition was granted. The following Commission was appointed to organize the proposed Church, viz: Revs G. W. Lawson, F. G. Hartman, R. W. Alexander & ruling Elder C. M. Brown of Washington.

Presbytery then adjourned till tomorrow at 9:30 AM.

Closed with prayer.

Third Day: Thursday Morning.

Presbytery met and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by Rev E.P. Bradley.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

A communication from Dr D.C. Lilly, touching Colored Evangelization was referred to Rev E. P. Bradley, our agent for that cause.

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The Committee on Assessments & Apportionments made a report which was adopted & is as follows:-

"1. As to Three Churches not yet apportioned - we recommend the following apportionments-

Calvary - Pres. Assess, 1.00; Ref. Fund 1.00; Genl Assembly's Home Missions, 1.00; Synod's H. Miss. 1.00; Pres. H. Miss. $2.00; and the other causes - $1.00 each - And that Scotland Neck, and Makeleyville's apportionments be the same as that of Calvary -

2. We recommend the following changes -

1) As to Genl Assembly's Home Missions:

Atkinson Mem'l - $3; Geneva $5; Goldsboro $20; Henderson, $37; Nutbush $4; Oak Hill $5; Oxford $8; Conn Mem'l $4; Raleigh 1st $60; Rocky Mount $12.00 Tarboro, $15; Washington 60; Wilson $5.

2) Other changes:- (1) Oxford Representative Fund $7; Education $10.

(2) Rocky Mount: Pres. Home Missions, $25. Foreign Missions $50. Education $15.00; Relief Fund $10; Publication $12; Col. Evang. $5.00 (3) ~~Rocky M.~~ Wilson. Presbyterial Home Mission, $30.00 Foreign Missions $15; Education $8; Ch. Xian Education $4; Publication $5.00; Col. Evang. $5.00

Signed: E. D. Brown
W. D. Morton } Committee"

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Rev John H. Griffith Jr., Rector of the Episcopal Church was introduced and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

The Committee on Calls & Installations reported that they had examined the Call from Greenville Church for the services of Rev J. G. Hartman, & that they had found the call in order & recommended that it be placed in his hands -

The call was then placed in his hands, accepted by him - and the following Commission was appointed to install him as pastor, on April 27, 1903, at 8 P.M. viz: Rev W. D. Morton DD, who will preside & deliver the charges to the pastor & congregation, Rev James Thomas, to preach the sermon, and Ruling Elder J. R. Moore -

Dr Morton read the report of the Committee of Home missions - which was received & docketted for further consideration.

The Committee to fill vacancies on Committees &c. made report which was adopted - and the following persons were elected to fill vacancies indicated:

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On Com. of Home Missions: Mr Samuel Watkins,
" Young People's Societies Rev F. G. Hartman,
Examination of Candidates: Ch. History &c. Rev Jas Thomas -
Agent of Bible Cause: Rev J. H. Jarvis -

Presbytery then heard a brief address by Dr Smith in the interest of Davidson College.

The following paper with reference to Dr Smith's address last night was adopted: -

Resolved: That Presbytery has heard with exquisite pleasure the address of Dr H. L. Smith, and that we express to him our hearty appreciation & cordial approval of his able effort, & most earnestly urge our ministers & Elders to endeavor to inculcate everywhere the doctrines of Christian consecration and Education that he preaches. We would also suggest that Dr Smith be invited to "speak the same things" in our churches, whenever it is possible for him to do so.

Signed: H. S. Bradshaw } Committee
H. B. Daniel }

The following were elected Commissioners to the General Assembly: Ministers: Rev. W. D. Morton D.D. Principal, & Rev E. P. Bradley alternate;

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Ruling Elders: H. B. Daniel Principal, & Jas. Dinwiddie, alternate.

The report of the Committee on Church & Xian Education was read after which Presbytery took recess till 3 o'clock P.M.

Thursday Afternoon.

Presbytery met at 3 p.m.

The Committee on Sessional duties made a report which was adopted and is as follows:

"I All the churches report either that the poor are provided for or that there are none to be cared for.

II The practice seems to be quite uniform as to appointing representatives to Presbytery & Synod & they are usually required to report on their return.

III Payment of Expenses of Ministers and Elders:
This question is variously answered.

1. The following churches pay: Littleton, Greenville, Washington, La Grange, Goldsboro, Raleigh, Rocky Mount, Wilson, Seneca, Newbern, Tarboro, Oxford & Aurora.
2. The following have not paid: Grassy Creek, Warrenton, Atkinson Memorial, Brooksdale, Nutbush, Oak Hill, Calvary, Cann Meml, Weldon & Mahalah.
3. Henderson paid their expenses to Presbytery only.

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IV Pastors Salaries: Arrearages were reported by Lagrange, Weldon, Nahalah, Calvary, Nutbush & Warrenton. 3 Churches made no report on this subject, viz: Atkinson Memil, Brookston & Littleton.

V 1. 13 Churches reported no collections omitted.

2. Two omitted one - Bible Cause, viz: Greenville & Warrenton.

3. Three omitted Colored Evang. & Assembly's Missions. viz: Grassy Creek, Brookston & Weldon.

4. Two omitted 3 of the Collections, viz: Nutbush & Cane Memil,

5. Five omitted all: viz. Calvary, Littleton, Oak Hill, Aurora & Cane Memorial -

VI 5 Churches reported Presbyterial Assessment not paid. viz: Aurora, Calvary, Littleton, Weldon, Nahalah

2 Churches reporting a debt: Wilson, Rocky Mount, Raleigh, Weldon -

VII Mode of Collections. 10 Churches have the envelope system; and these are the large contributing churches of the Presbytery. This is the only system of giving reported - 11 Churches employ old method, or no method

VIII Door, Shiloh & Young Memorial, Made no report on sessional duties.

Respectfully Submitted.
H. D. Bradshaw } Committee
S. Watkins

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The Committee of Ch. & Xian Education made a report which was approved & the Recommendations adopted - The Recommendations are as follows:

"1. The immediate payment of $75.00 for the Hyde Co. School from funds in hand -

2. That a Committee, consisting of Rev G.W. Lawson Rev R.W. Alexander, Judge Geo. Howard & Prof. J. Fred Webb, be appointed to make investigation as to the establishment of a parochial school at Crisp, and report at next meeting -

3. That the Committee on Ch. & Xian Education make investigation as to the possibility of a school at Nicholsonville & establish same if way be clear -

4. That our Churches be apportioned $150.00 for this cause instead of $72.00 as heretofore.

5. That the Committee be authorized to use the funds in the hands of the Synod's Committee for this Presbytery - also Presbytery's share of the 20th Century Fund in prosecuting work that is approved by Presbytery."

Signed: G.W. Lawson, Chairman

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"Forward Movement"

The Committee of Home Missions made a report on a special "Forward Movement" which was considered by common consent, as part of its annual report. After due consideration this report was adopted, and is as follows: "Whereas the Presbytery of Albemarle is deeply impressed with the painful destitutions in our extensive territory - with the large number of places needing the Gospel, & with the distressing fact that there are not only large counties with only one or two feeble Presbyterian churches, but thirteen in which there are none at all - And furthermore that for the fourteen years of our existence as a distinct Presbytery, our progress in supplying these crying necessities is lamentably slow, we the members of the Presbytery in session at Kinston, N.C. do here agree to enter upon a Forward Movement in the interest of Home Missions in Albemarle Presbytery - & do hereby adopt the following Recommendations:

1st That Presbytery approve & heartily adopt this Movement.

2nd That the Home Mission Committee of Albemarle Presbytery shall have charge of the work.

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3rd That said Committee shall have authority to call upon Pastors, Evangelists & officers of this Presbytery, with the consent of the Sessions & parties asked; to visit churches & places in this Presbytery & present the Cause.

4th All monies raised shall be on the condition that the money so raised shall be used in paying the salaries of Evangelists & Mission workers, and in discharging debts on church buildings of feeble congregations, & in erecting new churches, preference being given to counties where there is no Presbyterian Church. And it is expressly understood that the entire distribution of the Forward Movement Fund shall be in the power of Presbytery alone; except traveling expenses of speakers & expenses for necessary printing.

5th That no notes, pledges, or subscriptions be taken. All contributions shall be payable in cash or in thirty days -

6th That this shall in no way interfere with the present assessments or collections for any other of the benevolent causes of the Church.

7th That the Home Mission Committee shall report what has been done in the Forward Movement to the next Fall meeting of Presbytery.

And it is understood that no debts or

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financial obligations shall be made in the prosecution of this work."

The report of the Committee on Systematic Benevolence was adopted and ordered forwarded to the Synod & General Assembly.

The Committees on Sessional Records ~~(of Lists)~~ made their reports which were ~~adopted~~ approved & exceptions sustained.

The report on Sabbath Sabbath Schools, presented by Rev F. W. Farrier, Agent Pro Tem., was adopted & directed to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

The Narrative of Presbytery was read by Rev Jas Thomas, and ordered forwarded to the General Assembly.

The following brethren were excused after tonight's session: Ruling Elders T. B. Daniel, S. Watkins, Dr McDonald, & Julius Lewis. & Revs J. H. Jarois & R. W. Alexander.

The Agent of Ministerial Education made a report which was adopted, and is as follows: "There are two candidates now under care of Presbytery: E. C. Caldwell, & J. F. Rodman. Mr Caldwell is prosecuting

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his studies at Union Seminary Va., and his report shows that he is doing excellent work; he having made during the first term of his Middle year a general average of 99.18. His deportment is "Excellent". He has work for the summer in the mountains of Virginia, & expects to come before Presbytery in the Fall for examination on his college course.

Mr J. F. Rodman reports that he has not been wholly employed in religious work during the year; nor has he been able to prosecute his studies. He has recently been appointed Sabbath School Missionary for this Presbytery and will soon enter upon that work.

Your Agent would call the Presbytery's attention to the fact that there are only two candidates now under its care, which indicates that we are under the necessity of going before the great Head of the Church in prayer the he may "send forth laborers into his harvest." Let every minister preach at least once during the year on "The Claims of the Gospel Ministry." The need of this

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arises from the consideration of the fact that the decline in the number of young men seeking the Ministry does not seem yet to have impressed itself upon the Church at large with all its ~~deplorable~~ significance - See this expression from the last annual report of the Central Committee - "It is cause for profound regret and concern that we have not many more (candidates) than we have had for many years. Although much has been said about this decline, it is manifest that it does not yet sufficiently impress itself upon the Church".

The amount contributed to this cause & going through the hands of your Agent, for the year Ending March 31, 1903, is $248.35. There have been sent directly to the Central Committee by Presbytery & by three churches, $225.52 Making a total of $474.87 Note that your Agent has handled only $248.35, $100 of which appropriated to E.C. Caldwell - Of this, $87.50 has already been transmitted to him in regular monthly payments of $12.50. The other will be sent to him the first of next month. $148.35 has been sent ~~to~~ the General Assembly's Committee

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at Memphis - Your Agent would most earnestly request the pastors to see to it that the collections for this cause be taken at the proper times (April & Nov.) and that Church Treasurers send, at once, their contributions to the Agent, or notify him where they are sent elsewhere, & thus avoid a conflict of solicitations, & disappointed ~~hopes~~ expectations. During the past year only five churches sent in contributions to this cause prior to Oct. 1902, which shows, either, that the churches took no collection for this cause in April, or held them till Oct. and even longer, for the most of them sent in collections since Dec. 1, 1902.

Respt Submitted

S. N. Bradshaw Agent & Treas."

Time & Place Next Meeting

Goldsboro was selected as the place, and Tuesday October 6th ~~7th~~ at 8 P.M. as the time for the next regular meeting.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises reported recommending that Rev J. G. Hartman preach tomorrow night, and that Rev E. P. Bradley remain over & preach on the Sabbath.

The report was adopted.

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Presbytery then took recess till 8 P. M.

Night Session

Presbytery met at 8 o'clock & was called to order by the Moderator. A Telegram from the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of South Carolina was read, stating that Rev R. L. Grier, had been dismissed by that Presbytery to the Presbytery of Albemarle. On motion, the Moderator proceeded to Examine the brother as prescribed in the Book of Church Order. The Examination was sustained as satisfactory and his name ordered Enrolled as a member of Albemarle Presbytery.

Presbytery then held a popular meeting in the interest of Missions, under the auspices of the Woman's Missionary Union of Albemarle Presbytery. Very interesting & Stirring addresses were made by Rev Dr. Morton on Home Missions, & Rev J. H. Henderlite on Foreign Missions. After which a collection was taken to be divided equally between Home & Foreign Missions.

Rev R. L. Grier was examined after tonight, and it was ordered that he labor in Elizabeth City giving his fifth

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Sabbaths to mission points in the adjacent territory. Presbytery then adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock. Closed with prayer by the Moderator.

Fourth Day. Friday Morning Session

Presbytery met at 9:30 a.m. and was opened with devotional Exercises conducted by Rev Dr Morton.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read & approved.

The Treasurer of Presbytery read his report, which was received & referred to the Auditing Committee. The Report is as follows:

" Treasurer's Report. Apr. 16, 1903.

I Presbyterial Fund

1. Receipts	From Former Treas.		$222.30
	" Churches to Date		211.00
	Total Receipts		$433.30
2. Disbursements as per Vouchers		$329.36	
Bal. on hand in Cash & in Bank		103.94	
			$433.30

II Representatives' Traveling Fund.

1. Receipts	From former Treas.	$24.94	$109.44
	" Churches since	84.50	
	Total		
2 Disbursements as per Vouchers		$85.68	109.44
Bal. on hand		23.76	
	Total		

Respectfully Submitted, E. D. Brown Treas. "

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On motion the Treasurer was directed to pay the Expenses of Mr J. F. Rodman to this meeting

On Motion Mr Rodman, Sabbath School Missionary for this Presbytery, was directed to work at Rocky Mount till further instructed by the Agent of Sabbath Schools.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read and adopted and is as follows:-

"Your Auditing Committee respectfully submit that they have examined the books & accts of the Treasurer of Home Missions and find all disbursements supported by proper vouchers -

Amt on hand for Home Missions $40 23

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The undersigned makes a similar report as to the acct of Rev E. D. Brown Treas. of Presbytery -

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The Statistical report for past year was read and ordered to forward to The General assembly.

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The report on Home Missions was taken from the docket, and on motion its recommendations were considered seriatim. They were then adopted as a whole, and are as follows:-

I. That Pastors & Sessions be earnestly requested to use more care in securing the observance of 2nd Sabbath in December as Home Mission Day in our Sabbath Schools throughout the bounds of our Presbytery -

II That independent of these offerings, strenuous efforts to bring up the Congregational apportionments -

III. That our Evangelists be directed to report before every Stated meeting of Presbytery a general exhibit of the work effected by them upon blanks furnished by the Home Mission Committee.

IV That inasmuch as our Synod has surrendered a part of its opportunities for securing Local Home Mission Collections to the General Assembly's Committee, and as our Synodical Com. in entering upon closer relations with the Assembly's Com., provided that they would claim the privilege of applying for aid from the Assembly's Com. in case of necessity; Your Com. be directed, if needful, to make such application

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V. We would acknowledge our appreciation of the proposition of the Newbern Church to engage a Seminary Student to work in Pamlico County during the coming Summer & would recommend that the Pastor & Session of said Church direct his work.

VI Church Grouping, Evangelists, & Appropriations -

1. Warrenton Group - Rev C. N. Wharton Evangelist -

Warrenton	to raise	$250
Littleton	" "	75
Louisburg	" "	125
Synod	" "	142
Presbytery	" "	108
		$700

2. Wilson, Rev James Thomas Evangelist -

Wilson	to raise	$650
Synod	" "	150
		$800

3. Kinston Group. Rev E. D. Brown Pastor & Evangelist.

Kinston	to raise	$400
LaGrange	" "	100
Presbytery	" "	58
Synod	" "	142
Total		$700

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4. Nutbush Group. Rev. E. P. Bradley Evangelist.

Nutbush	to raise	$275
Oak Hill	" "	150
Grassy Creek	" "	75
Synod	" "	60
Presbytery	" "	40
		$600

5. Weldon Group - To be supplied -

Weldon in connection with Roanoke Rapids to raise		$150
Young Memorial to raise		50
Scotland Neck	" "	40
Synod	" "	245
Presbytery	" "	215
		$700

6. Elizabeth City Field. Rev R. L. Grier S.S. & Evangelist.

Elizabeth City	to raise	$300
Synod	" "	500
		$800

7. Greenville Field Rev J. G. Hartman Evangelist.

Greenville	to raise	$300
Parmele & Everetts	" "	35
Falkland	" "	100
Synod	" "	200
Presbytery ...	" "	165
		$800

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8. Hyde County Group - Rev J. H. Jarvis Evangelist -

Calvary & Makelyville to raise $50 each	$100
Synod $100, Presbytery $300	400
	$500

9. Payne Memorial Group. To be supplied -

Payne Memorial	Praise	$75
Aurora	" "	50
Nahatah	" "	60
Presbytery	" "	250
Washington Church (Special		275
		$710

10. Rev W. D. Morton for 5th Sabbaths as Evangelist $50

11. That Rev J. E. Wool take oversight of Shiloh -

12 " Rev S. H. Bradshaw " " " Dover -

The Total appropriations of Presbytery are $1186 -
The Total Collections from all sources last year were $939.
We have cash on hand about $100 - If we get $100 from the Genl Assembly we will nearly meet the amount needed for the present appropriations - but have nothing for new work.

Signed. W. D. Morton
Chairman

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The report of Missionary Supplies was called for and most of the brethren reported duty performed; the others gave a valid excuse.

The Committee on the Minutes of the Synod reported that they had examined the Minutes & found nothing requiring the action of Presbytery - but called special attention to the action of Synod with reference to Sabbath Observance [P. 562], Sabbath Schools - [P. 583] & as to Ministerial Relief - [P 600]

The report was received & approved -

Dr Morton was, on motion, instructed to have the "Forward Movement" report printed for distribution in the Churches - The expense of printing to be paid for out of the Home Mission Fund -

The Agent of Sabbath Observance made a report which was approved and answers suggested were adopted as the answers of this Presbytery to the Questions sent out by the Assembly's Permanent Committee on that subject. The Stated Clerk was directed to forward same to said Committee.

The following Missionary Supplies were Appointed.
Rev John E. Wool One Sabbath at Shiloh.
Rev J. H. Henderlite " " " Young Memorial.
Rev E. P. Bradley to take oversight of & preach one Sunday at " " until supplied
Rev J. H. Jarvis - Needy Points in Hyde County.
Rev G. W. Lawson - Oversight of Aurora & preach one Sabbath.
Rev W. D. Morton - One Sabbath at Strickland.
Rev James Thomas " " " Weldon & Roanoke Rapids.
Rev F. G. Hartman " " " Scotland Neck.
Rev W. D. Morton " " " Nahatak.
" F. W. Farries " " " Dover
" R. W. Alexander " " " Crisp.
" H. S. Bradshaw to take oversight of & preach one Sunday at Dover.

A resolutions of Thanks was adopted & the Pastor requested to read same to his Congregations.

The minutes of this morning's Session were read & approved. After which Presbytery adjourned with Singing, prayer & the Apostolic Benediction.

Signed H. S. Bradshaw } Temporary
H. B. Daniel } Clerks

Attest: E. D. Brown, Stated Clerk.

Minutes of the Twenty-Ninth Session of Albemarle Presbytery

Held at

Goldsboro, N.C. Oct. 6-8, 1903.

Presbytery met in Goldsboro, N.C. Oct. 6, 1903 at 8:P.M. In the absence of the Moderator, Rev J. H. Henderlite, Presbytery was, at his request opened with a sermon by Rev G. W. Lawson, from the text, "and his servants shall serve him" - Rev. 22:3. Presbytery was constituted with prayer by Rev E. P. Bradley, the last moderator present.

The roll was called and the following were present: Ministers: C. M. Wharton, F. W. Farries, James Thomas, W. D. Morton, E. P. Bradley, H. S. Bradshaw, J. H. Jarvis, G. W. Lawson, R. W. Alexander, F. G. Hartman, and R. L. Gries. - 11 - Ruling Elders: Julius Lewis, of Raleigh 1st and J. E. Kelly of

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Tarboro, - 2 -

Rev W. D. Morton D.D. was chosen as moderator and Revs F. G. Hartman & R. W. Alexander, Clerks.

Rev C. W. McDonald of Montgomery Presbytery and Rev S. N. Isler of Wilmington Presbytery were invited to sit as corresponding members and introduced to Presbytery. Rev Mr Bradshaw of St. Paul's M.E. Church was invited to sit as a visiting brother and was introduced to Presbytery.

The following hours of meeting were fixed:

Morning Session: from 9:a.m. to 12

Afternoon " " 3 P.M. to 5:P.M.

Night " Meet at 8:P.M. and adjourn at will.

Presbytery then adjourned with prayer.

Second Day. Wednesday Oct. 7.

Presbytery met at 9:a.m. and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by the moderator. The minutes of last night's session were read & approved.

Rev E. D. Brown and elders, N. E. Shaw of the Atkinson Memorial Church, & Daniel Reid of Goldsboro, were excused for tardiness & enrolled.

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The Minutes of the last Stated Meeting were read by the Stated Clerk.

The Stated Clerk & Treas. Rev. E. D. Brown, was authorized, after notifying the Sessions whose reports on Sessional Duties do not harmonize with his records, to make the corrections necessary to harmonize them.

The Stated Clerk was authorized to print an abstract of the Minutes of the last regular meeting together with the full minutes of this meeting, should the funds permit.

The Stated Clerk was authorized to notify the Sessions of the various Churches of Presbytery concerning the discrepancies appearing between their reported contributions & payments on the blanks furnished for that purpose, and the remittances actually made by their Treasurers, and request that the two be made to harmonize hereafter, before leaving the hands of said Sessions.

The Moderator appointed the following Standing Committees, viz: 1. Devotional Exercises: Rev T. W. Farris and Elder Daniel Ried.

2. Statistical Report to Synod: R. L. Brier & Julius Lewis.

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3. Minutes of the General Assembly: C. H. Wharton, G. W. Lawson, R. W. Alexander, James Thomas, and H. E. Shaw.

4. Calls & Installations: H. S. Bradshaw, E. P. Bradley, J. H. Jarvis & Daniel Ried.

On motion, H. S. Bradshaw & Julius Lewis were added to the Committee of Home Missions to act with them at this meeting.

Revs. Jno. E. Wool & J. H. Henderlite reported to Presbytery by letter, their reasons for absence from this meeting and were excused.

A communication from Rev J. H. Henderlite, Agent of Foreign Missions, was referred to the Committee on Devotional Exercises.

Rev C. W. McDonald presented a letter of dismissal from the Presbytery of Montgomery to this Presbytery. After the usual Examinations he was received and enrolled as a member of Albemarle Presbytery.

A communication from the President of Davidson College, was referred to our trustees of said College.

Presbytery instructed the Home Mission

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Committee to make recommendation concerning the work of Rev C.W. McDonald within this Presbytery as an Evangelist.

The Treasurer read a statement of the funds of Presbytery which was approved & is as follows; "Treasurer's Statement, Sept 30, 1903

I Pres. Fund	Amount on Apr 16, 1903	103.94	
	Received Since	85.68	$189.62
	Disbursements to date	161.88	
	Amt on Hand	27.74	$189.62
II Rep. Fund.	On hand Apr 16, 1903	23.76	
	Recd Since	21.00	$44.76
	Paid out		3.85
	Bal on hand		$40.91

Signed E. D. Broadnax, Treas."

The Treasurer was instructed to pay Rev J. N. Jarois his traveling expenses in attending this meeting

Rev C. W McDonald was added to the Committee on Statistical Report to Synod.

The report of the Agent of Education was read & approved. Its recommendations were considered seriatim & adopted.

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They are as follows: "1. That Presbytery allow candidate E. C. Caldwell $100 for this year

2. That Presbytery add to its apportionment for Ministerial Education $20.00 so as to make the total $350.00

3. That Pastors & Sessions be urged to see to it that collections for this cause are taken in April and November, and sent at once to the Agent.

4. That Presbytery hear from Mr J. F. Rodman a statement of his plan for study & work in the future. Signed: N.S. Bradshaw. Agent."

A Communication from the Assembly's Committee of Publication was referred the Committee on Minutes of the Assembly.

After which recess was taken.

Wednesday Afternoon.

Presbytery met at 3 P.M. Rev. C. N. Wharton, Trustee of Davidson College presented an interesting report with reference to that institution, which was approved, & the recommendations attached were adopted, viz:

"1. That our Ministers & Elders encourage young men to attend Davidson College

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2. That we commend the Davidson League to all the Alumni and other friends as a most excellent method in furthering the Cause of Christian Education.

3. That the Week of Prayer for our Colleges & for our boys & girls be more generally observed."

Rev W. D. Morton, DD, as Commissioner to the last Assembly entertained Presbytery with a very delightful account of his visit to Lexington Va and of his attendance upon the sessions of the Assembly. Commissioner N. B. Daniel of the Oak Hill Church reported by letter, which was read and the diligence of our Commissioners commended.

The report of "Missionary Supplies" was called for & the following reported "duty performed": J. E. Wool. J. N. Huderlite; E. P. Bradley, R. W. Alexander, & J. N. Jarvis. The others were excused for reasons assigned.

Rev C. N. Wharton was re elected Trustee of Davidson College.

Rev G. W. Lawson, Chairman of Commission to organize a Church at Nicholsonville, reported

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the Church organized, Aug. 13, 1903, with 14 members & that 2 Elders were elected & ordained viz: C. T. Buckman & L. M. Shepherd. The report was approved, & the name of the Church (Payne Memorial) ordered enrolled.

Rev James Thomas in behalf of the Commission to install Rev F. G. Hartman at Greenville, reported the duty performed April 27, 1903, the time appointed by Presbytery.

The report was approved.

The Committee on Parochial School at Brisp made a report. and addresses from Messrs Lawson, Alexander, Bradshaw & Kelly were heard.

On motion the Committee was continued & enlarged by adding Messrs Bradshaw & Kelly & instructed to report further during this meeting.

Next Meeting Newbern

Newbern was selected as the place for the next stated meeting & Rev W. S. Bradshaw was appointed to designate the time.

It was made the order of the day to hear the report on Foreign Missions tomorrow night.

The time for the morning session was

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changed to 9:30 A.M. and Tonight's session was, on motion, omitted.

Presbytery then adjourned with prayer.

Third Day. Thursday Oct. 8. 1903.

Presbytery met at 9:30 A.M. and was opened with devotional exercises -

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Ruling Elder S.K. Fountain, of Rocky Mount Church was excused for tardiness and enrolled.

Revs. C.W. McDonald, J.H. Jarvis and Mr H.E. Shaw were excused after this morning's session.

The report of the Agent of Manses, was read and approved. The report shows the following facts with reference to manses in this Presbytery: 17 Churches reported on this subject - Eight of these report manses; with a total valuation $13850; and carrying insurance to the amount of $5800 - They have made improvements to the amount of $240. 9 reported "no manse" and 4 made no report, viz: Tarboro, Raleigh 1st, Newbern, & Wilson.

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A report from Mr J.R. Young, our agent for the Orphan's Home - was read and approved and referred to a committee consisting of R.L. Grier, C.N. Wharton, R.W. Alexander & David Reid for further consideration, & to report during this meeting -

The report of the Committee on Assessments and Apportionments was read & adopted & the Stated Clerk requested to mail a copy to each church session - The report is as follows: "Presbytery deems it unwise to change the apportionments in the midst of the year; but would earnestly urge the churches to contribute something more than their apportionments for Education, and for Church & Kian Education, so that the additional amounts asked for these causes may be raised this year -

Signed: E.D. Brower } Com.
W.D. Morton }

The report of the Agent of Colored Evangelization was read & approved & its recommendations adopted. They are as follows:

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"1. That Presbytery urge upon Pastors and Sessions the necessity of securing a collection from their congregations for this great Cause.

2. That our ministers who can have access to schools for colored youths which have no theological department, be requested to visit such schools and lay before the students the claims of the Gospel ministry, and at the same time invite them to take up their studies, under our care, at Stillman Institute, where board and tuition can be obtained at a cost not exceeding twenty dollars ($20) per year.

Signed: E. P. Bradley, Agent."

Dr Morton, our Chairman of Home Missions made a full & encouraging report of the work within our bounds. The report was approved, its recommendations considered seriatim, and adopted. They are as follows:

"I. That all of our ministers & Sessions take prompt & earnest measures to present the Forward Home Mission Movement, adopted by this Presbytery, during the fall & winter.

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II That Presbytery at once take steps to place in our territory a General Evangelist, whose duties shall be, the ministration to feeble, vacant churches & destitute points; the assistance of our local missionaries; the grouping and organization of churches under the direction of the Home Mission Committee; and the diligent exploration of the wide & destitute territory of this Presbytery: and that his salary be arranged by this Committee.

III. WE nominate Rev R. W. Hines to the office of Presbyterial Evangelist, and in case of his declinature that this Committee be authorized to secure an alternate.

IV That from the funds already secured for the Forward Movement Presbytery grants $75.00 for the completion of the Calvary Church building, in such a degree that it will be habitable for the congregation.

V That we offer the members of the Strickland church $25.00 upon condition that they will subscribe in money and work an equal amount for the accomplishment of repairs necessary

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to prevent its serious injury, and request, Rev James Thomas, N.R. Strickland, Ed. Strickland & Wm Taylor to act as a Committee to effect this arrangement.

VI That Rev C. W. McDonald be directed to labor regularly at Payne Memorial, Aurora & Nahatah Churches and take the oversight of Scotland Neck and preach to them as regularly as possible until the next meeting of Presbytery.

VII That we permit the Committee to arrange with Rev E. N. Harding D.D. to supply the Weldon Church from two to three Sundays in the month, and preach at Roanoke Rapids if practicable, until the next stated meeting of Presbytery.

VIII That this Presbytery ask the Genl Assembly's Committee of Home Missions for $200.00, on the salary of our Presbyterial Evangelist. "

Signed W. D. Morton, Chairman,

"Missionary Supplies" were appointed as follows: Rev C. N. Wharton, to take oversight & preach two Sundays at Young Memorial. Rev E. P. Bradley, two Sundays at Young Menil. Rev J. N. Henderlite, one Sunday at Young Menil.

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Rev F. W. Farries one Sunday at Dover
" E. D. Brown " " " " & take oversight
" James Thomas " " " Strickland
" W. D. Morton " " " R. Rapids
" C. W. McDonald " " " Scotland Neck & take oversight.
" F. G. Hartman " " " " "
" H. T. Bradshaw " " " Bayboro.
" R. L. Grier " " " Edenton
" " " " " at discretion
" G. W. Lawson " " " Leaksville
" R. W. Alexander " " " "
" " " " " " " Crisp.
" W. D. Morton " " at discretion
" Jno. E. Wool " " " Shiloh.

Atkinson Memorial Church was allowed to change the terms of their call for the services of Rev E. D. Brown so that it shall read: "for all of his time", and that the amount paid on his salary shall be $650.00. Also Presbytery directs its Home Mission Committee to secure from the Synod's Committee $142.00 to supplement his salary.

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Crisp School

The special Committee on the Crisp School reported the following recommendations, which were adopted: viz:

1. That the Chairman of Church & Xian Education be instructed to apply whatever funds are now, or may come into his hands, to the purchase of the Crisp School during the coming year.

2. a) That our Com. on the 20th Cent. Fund be instructed to circle to the churches of this Presbytery, asking them to designate a portion of their contributions to the purchase of said property.

b) To get from Synod's Central Committee our portion of undesignated funds, & that Presbytery apply same at once to the purchase of said school.

c) That Presbytery apply the remaining one third of Presbytery's Fund to the purchase of said school.

3. That churches be urged to contribute directly to this fund for the purchase of said property.

4. That Revs. G.W. Lawson, R.W. Alexander, Elders, J.E. Kelly, Geo. Howard Jr, & C.M. Brown be authorized to secure the property at once and act as trustees for one year.

5. That this Committee select a name for this school.

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The following report of a special Committee was adopted: "Your Committee appointed to consider the case of Candidate J. F. Rodman respectfully report that absolutely no visible means exist for his support while conducting his preparatory studies, and we therefore suggest that Presbytery advise Mr Rodman to return to work at his trade and study all that he can under the supervision of Rev W.D. Morton D.D.

Signed: G. W Lawson, H. S. Bradshaw } Com. "

The Statistical Report to Synod was read and adopted; and is as follows: "To the Synod of N.C.; The Presbytery of Albemarle reports:-

1- 16 ministers; 36 Churches; no Licentiates; 2 Candidates; 2 298 Communicants; and $23,828, aggregate of all funds raised during the year Ending Mar. 31, 1903, being $1870 less than was raised the year before.

2- 213 members were added to the Church during the year (a) On Examination, 134; (b) On certificate 79.

3- 3 ministers were received, viz: Rev F. G. Hartman, Apr. 1903, Rev R.L. Grier, Apr. 1903, and Rev C. W. McDonald Oct 7, 1903.

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4- No Ministers transferred 5- Two Churches were organized viz: McKelyville Nov. 12, 1902; and Payne Memorial, August. 1903- 6- No Churches transferred or dissolved. 7- No Licentiates received 8. No Licentiates transferred. 9- Candidates Examined, none. 10- Candidates transferred - none - 11- Ministers died - none. 12 - Ordinations - none - 13. Installations, two, viz: J. G. Hartman at Greenville, Apr. 1903
R.W. Alexander " Tarboro March, 1903.
14- Dissolutions of Pastoral relation - none
15- Licensures - none - 16- Sixteen ministers in charge of 28 Churches: 11 pastors; no Stated supplies; 5, Evangelists; no Licentiates; 1 Foreign Missionary; 23. Sunday Schools, & 11 Young Peoples Societies.
17- 9 Churches vacant. 18- $760, average salary paid ministers in charge of Churches.
19- 11 Manses; aggregate value $22,000 00.
20. No Minister or Church in 13 Counties, viz: Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Greene, Hertford, Pamlico, Perquimans, Northampton, Tyrrell & Washington - 21- The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Newbern, N.C. on Tuesday after 3rd Sunday in April 1904 at 8:00 M. Signed { R. L. Grier, C. W. McDonald, Julius Lewis } Com.

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On recommendation of Rev W. S. Bradshaw, Tuesday after the 3rd Sunday in April, at 8:P.M. was fixed as the time for the next Stated Meeting.

Elder J. E. Kelly was excused from further attendance at this meeting.

The Committee on Minutes of the General Assembly made a report which was approved and its recommendations considered seriatim. Pending their discussion Presbytery took recess.

Thursday. Afternoon Session. At 3:15: P.M. Presbytery resumed its Session. On motion the consideration of the unfinished business was postponed, & Presbytery heard the report of special Committee on the Orphanage. The report was adopted and is as follows: "Your Committee would report that it is with a great deal of pleasure that we learn from the report of Mr J. R. Young that the contributions of this Presbytery to the Orphanage are on the increase. & we would recommend.
1. That all Pastors & Sessions present this cause to their congregations, and endeavor to secure liberal contributions to same as an institution most worthy of generous support.

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2. That we commend the faithful & efficient work of our Agent - Mr J. R. Young -

3. That Mr Young be continued as our Agent for the Orphanage.

Signed: R. L. Grier, C. N. Cohartan, David Ried, R. W. Alexander } Committee

Rev G. W. Lawson, Agent of Sabbath Schools, read a report of the work of our Sabbath School Missionary, Mr Rodman - He also stated that he had received no information from our churches concerning the needs & work of the Sunday Schools within our bounds, and asked that Presbytery urge our Pastors & S.S. Superintendents to furnish him such information -

The report was approved -

On Motion the Agent of Sabbath Schools was instructed to prepare plans and submit them at the Spring meeting, providing for a Sunday School Institute at some future time.

[Later in the meeting the office of Agent of S.S. was abolished & this duty was referred to the new Committee on Publication & Sabbath School Work. - Stated Clerk]

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The report of the Committee on Minutes of the General Assembly was taken up & its recommendations considered. The first recommendation of the Committee was stricken out and a substitute offered by Rev E. D. Brown was adopted - The others recommendations were then adopted severally, & as a whole & are as follows:

1. [Substitute] That this Presbytery comply with the request of the Assembly in regard to the consolidation of the Committees & Agencies of Publication, Sabbath Schools & Young People's Societies, and that this Presbytery appoint such a Committee.

2. That this Presbytery endeavor to raise its share of the $20,000 for Publication; viz $195.00

3. That Presbytery heartily approve of the purpose of the Assembly to raise 30,000 for Ministerial Relief and hereby calls upon all our Pastors and Sessions to make earnest Effort to raise their proportion of said amount.

4. That our ministers be requested to call the attention of their congregations to the average contributions as referred to in the Assembly's Minutes, pp 498-499.

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We would also call the attention of Presbytery to the overture of Lafayette Presbytery, p. 459, and the Assembly's answer on p 507 - also the action of the Assembly with reference to overtures from the Presbyteries of Paris, Charleston and Pee Dee. p. 503, sec. 14.

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E. P. Bradley, R. L. Grier, & S. K. Fountain, were appointed a Committee to nominate a Presbyterial Committee on Publication & Sabbath School Work as called for in the above report.

Presbytery adopted by a rising vote the following resolution of thanks; viz: "Resolved that the hearty thanks of the Presbytery of Albemarle be extended to the congregation of the Goldsboro Church for their royal Entertainment of the delegates; and that this action be announced to the congregation by the Pastor."

The Committee to nominate a Presbyterial Com." of Publication & Sabbath School Work nominated, Rev L. W. Farries, Rev J. G. Hartman & Mr John B. Sparrow

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The report was adopted. And on motion the duty of preparing plan for a Sunday School Institute was referred to said Committee.

The Standing Committee on Calls and Installations reported that nothing had come into their hands - The Committee was discharged.

Presbytery took recess till 8: P. M.

Thursday night -

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1. That Presbytery acknowledges its profound gratitude to the Head of the Church for the numerous and signal marks of his favor & blessing upon the efforts of our Church during the past year: the power of the Spirit in the conversion of souls; the gracious care & protection of our beloved brethren and their families amid many dangers & trials; the preservation of mission property and the general prosperity that has attended the execution of the work.

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2. That Presbytery in this connection affirms its confidence in the present management of the work, and its hearty gratification at the prosperous conditions that now obtain and the favorable outlook for a decided advance in the near future.

Especially would Presbytery endorse the Forward Movement, urging that it shall continue to be pressed along the same lines, and earnestly commending it to the consideration of all the churches within its bounds for adoption wherever practicable. Presbytery receives with pleasure the recommendation of the Lexington Assembly for an appropriation of $250,000 for the work next year and affirms its confidence that this amount can & will be raised, especially by the wise & steady pushing of the Forward Movement.

3. That as the present method of conducting the Forward Movement is, in the nature of the case temporary, (as Messrs Stuart & Moffet are under appointment to the Foreign field), Presbytery expresses its most earnest hope that effectual steps will be taken for the permanent conduct of the work, and its heartfelt

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conviction that every effort should now be put forth to keep pace with the Providence that is leading on to a grand concerted forward movement by all Churches in the execution of the Great Commission. It is the sense of this Presbytery that a Field Secretary of Foreign Missions is the necessary and logical demand of our work in its present stage.

Signed: J. H. Henderlite, Agent For. Missions".

A collection of $16.70 was taken, to be divided equally between Home & Foreign Missions.

It was ordered that we hold an adjourned meeting during the sessions of Synod, at Wilmington.

After reading & approving the Minutes Presbytery adjourned with singing, prayer & the Apostolic Benediction.

Signd: F. G. Hartman, Clerk.

attest: E. D. Brown, Stated Clerk.

Examined and Approved without Exceptions at Synod.
Nov. 6, 1903.

John M. Rose
Acting Moderator

Minutes of The Adjourned Meeting
Held at Wilmington, N.C. Nov 4, 1903.
Presbytery met at the call of the Moderator in the 1st Presbyterian Church at 2:30 P.M. and was opened with prayer by the Moderator. There were present:
Ministers: W. D. Morton, C. N. Wharton, H. S. Bradshaw, G. W. Lawson, J. W. Henderlite and E. D. Brown. Elders: S. K. Fountain, Rocky Mount; John Slaughter, Goldsboro; and J. E. Kelly, Tarboro.
Rev G. W. Lawson & Mr J. E. Kelly were heard with reference to the purchase of the Crisp School. After some discussion Presbytery took recess to meet here after Synod adjourns tonight.
Presbytery met at 10:30 P.M. after adjournment of Synod. Rev R. W. Alexander appeared and was enrolled.
On motion the action of Presbytery with reference to report on the Crisp School was reconsidered
On motion the report was amended by adding to Sec. "4" (page 374 or page 24 printed Min)

Adjourned Meeting at Wilmington N.C.
The words: "if they deem it wise". The report was then adopted.
Presbytery adjourned with prayer.

E. D. Brown, Stated Clerk.

Minutes of The Thirtieth Session
- of -
Albemarle Presbytery -
Held at
Newbern, N.C. April 19-22, 1904.

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The Presbytery of Albemarle met The Presbyterian Church at 8:P.M. Rev W.D. Morton D.D. the retiring moderator preached a sermon on "The Scriptures, The Mighty Power of God" Text: Isa 55:11 - Presbytery was then constituted with prayer -

The roll was called and the following were present: ministers: C.N. Wharton, F.W. Farries, James Thomas, E.D. Brown, W.D. Morton, E.P. Bradley, H.S. Bradshaw, Jno. E. Wool, J.H. Jarois, G.W. Lawson, R.W. Alexander, F.G. Hartman, C.W. McDonald 13

Ruling Elders: H.H. Wilson, Atkinson Memil; C.A. Lewis, Henderson; G.W. Ayers, Mocksville; W.H. Bray, Newbern; N.D. Morton, Nutbush; J.F. Cole, Oak Hill; W.S. Clay, R. Mount; J.E. Kelly, Tarboro; & C.M. Brown, Washington 1st 9

Ruling Elder C.M. Brown was elected Moderator, and Revs G.W. Lawson & R.W. Alexander, Temporary Clerks.

The following Hours of Meeting were adopted:
Morning Session from 10:a.m. to 1 P.M.
Afternoon " " 3.P.M. & take recess at will
Night " " 8 " to adjournment at will -

Rev D.P. McGeachy of Wilmington Presbytery was introduced & invited to sit as a corresponding member of this Presbytery -

Revs F.D. Swindell D.D. of M.E. Church South, & W.H. Rich, of the Baptist church were introduced and invited to sit as visiting brethren -

Order was made that Presbytery hold a popular meeting in the interests of Missions on Wednesday at 8 P.M. - Rev C.N. Wharton to make the address on Home Missions & Rev G.W. Lawson on Foreign Missions - and that the report of the Agent of Home Missions be heard at that time.

Divine services were appointed for the last hour of each morning's session.

Presbytery adjourned to meet at 10. a.m. Closed with Prayer

At New Burn and within the Presbyterian Church there a pro re nata meeting of the Albemarle Presbytery was held on February 20th at 7 P. M. pursuant to the call of the Moderator. The meeting was constituted by the Mod. leading in prayer.

Members present: Drs Moment, Farries, and Campbell, ministers, and Thomas Henry, elder. Dr. Campbell was appointed Clerk pro. tem. The meeting was called for the reception and installation of Rev J. G. Garth from Presbytery of Nashville. The Rev R. E. Knowles a member of Guelph Presb. Canada ~~was~~ being present was invited to sit as a corresponding member. The examination of Mr Garth being satisfactory on motion of Mr Farries seconded by Mr Henry his name was added to the Roll of this Presbytery. The Call from the New Burn Church was then read and put in the hands of Mr Garth, which he accepted. The installation services were then proceeded with. ~~The~~ Dr Moment, the Moderator, preached a suitable sermon from Mark 7:37-4 He could not be hid.

The usual questions having been put to the pastor-elect and satisfactorily answered by him he was duly installed as pastor of New Burn Church. Mr Farries suitably addressed the congregation and Dr Campbell the pastor. The right hand of fellowship was extended by the members of Presbytery as well as the cordial greetings of the congregation. Closed with the benediction

Isaac Campbell
Clerk pro. tem.

Ruling Elder C. M. Brown was elected

Wharton	Exit, 1901	fall
	Re-Elected 1901	"
	Exit 1903	"
	Re-Elected "	"
	Exit 1905	"
E. D. Brown	Elected 1904	"
	Exit 1905	"
Bradley	Elected Nov. 15, 1904, Exit 1905	
Thomas	Exit, 1902	fall
	Re-Elected 1902	"
	Exit 1904	"
	Re-Elected "	"
	Exit 1906	"
A M Moment	Elected Sep. 1905	
	Exit fall 1906.	

Ruling Elders: N. N. Wilson, Atkinson Mill; C. A. Lewis, Henderson; E. W. Ayers, Markelyville; W. N. Bray, Newborn; N. D. Morton, Nutbush; J. F. Cole, Oak Hill; W. S. Clay, R. Mount; J. E. Kelly, Jarboro; + C. M. Brown, Washington St

at that time.
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Wednesday

Presbytery met at 10 a.m. and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by Rev. R. W. Alexander. The minutes of last night's session were read & approved.

The reading of the minutes of the last stated meeting was dispensed with in view of the fact that they are in print.

The minutes of the adjourned meeting in Wilmington were read & approved.

Candidate R. H. Orr was received, by certificate from the Presbytery of Atlanta and taken under the care of this Presbytery.

Revs. J. H. Henderlite & R. L. Grier were excused for non attendance at this stated meeting.

Standing Committees

The Moderator appointed the following Standing Committees: Devotional Exercises: H. S. Bradshaw & W. H. Bray.

Narrative: T. W. Farries & E. P. Bradley.

Sessional Duties: W. B. Doe & H. H. Wilson.

Systematic Beneficence: C. N. Wharton & J. T. Cole.

Statistical Report: C. A. Lewis & G. W. Ayers.

Sessional Records 1st Half - Jas. Thomas & N. D. Morton.

2nd Half - C. W. McDonald & J. H. Jarvis.

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Auditing Com. W. S. Chary & J. E. Kelly.

Minutes of Synod: W. D. Morton & R. W. Alexander.

Calls & Installations: Jas Thomas & T. M. Allen added later.

The Sessional Narratives were read and referred to the Committee on Narrative.

Elder T. M. Allen of the Aurora Church after being excused for tardiness, was enrolled and added to the Committee on Calls & Installations.

Rev Alfred H. Moment, D.D., of Brooklyn Presbytery was introduced & invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Elders J. Lewis of Raleigh 1st & W. B. Doe of Greenville appeared, and after rendering excuses for tardiness were enrolled.

Thursday at 8 P.M. was set for hearing the report of the Committee on Publication, Sunday Schools & Young People's Societies.

Report on Missionary Supplies appointed at last meeting was called for. Most of the brethren reported duty performed, the others were excused.

Rev T. M. N. George of Christ Episcopal Church was introduced & invited to sit as a visiting brother.

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At noon Presbytery heard a most excellent sermon by Rev Jno E Wool - on "Contending for the Faith, Text Jude 3 - Presbytery then took recess till 3:P.M -

Wednesday Afternoon

At 3:P.M. Presbytery met.

On motion Thursday at noon was set for hearing the report of the Agent of Sabbath Observance & to hear addresses on that subject.

The Church of Washington was ordered to be enrolled hereafter as The First Church of Washington -

Dr Moment Received & Enrolled

The Stated Clerk presented a Certificate of dismissal from Brooklyn Presbytery dismissing Rev A.H. Moment D.D. to this Presbytery, which was received, and after the usual examinations he was received and enrolled as a member of this Presbytery -

A call for the pastoral services of Dr Moment from The First Church Raleigh, was presented & referred to the Committee on Calls & Installations

Revs C.N. Wharton & E.P. Bradley and Elders H.H. Wilson & W.J. Clary were nominated for Commissioners to the General Assembly -

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Place of next meeting

Louisburg was selected as the place for the next stated meeting.

Parmele Church

A Committee, consisting of Revs C.W. McDonald, & Geo W. Lawson & Elders J.R. Moore and C.M. Brown, were appointed to insure the Church property at Parmele & investigate into the wisdom of dissolving the Parmele Church; the Committee to report at the Fall meeting - The Treasurer of Presbytery was instructed to furnish the necessary funds for said insurance

Presbytery authorised Roanoke Church to change the location of their church building to Hobgood, if the way be clear.

Presbytery took recess to 8:P.M.

Popular Meeting Missions

At 8:P.M. Presbytery assembled and a popular meeting in the interest of Missions was held - The report on Home Missions was read in part, & received - After which addresses were made on Home & Foreign missions by Revs C.N. Wharton and Geo W. Lawson -

The Agent of the Bible Cause read his report & after being amended was adopted.

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Report on Bible Cause

The report is as follows: "Your Agent begs to report that 9 of our 38 have contributed $37.84 to this Cause -- The importance of this great Cause was recognized by the last General Assembly in its recommendation to the Churches to give Special consideration to the claims of the Bible Societies. Your Agent would therefore recommend: That Presbytery apportion all our churches for this Cause - and that our Pastors & Evangelists be urged to earnestly present & commend its claims to the consideration & liberality of our people. - J. H. Jarvis, Agent"

Presbytery adjourned with prayer, to meet tomorrow at 10: a.m.

Thursday

Presbytery assembled at 10: a.m. - Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev James Thomas. The minutes of Wednesday's Sessions were read, amended and approved -

A communication from the International Sunday Rest Congress, was referred for consideration & report to a Committee consisting of -

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F. W. Harris, A. H. Moment, C. H. Wharton and W. S. Clary.

Presbytery took order for recess at 5: P.M. today to accept an invitation from the Ladies Society of the Newbern Church to a reception tendered the Presbytery & the Woman's Missionary Union.

The Chairman of the Committee on Ministerial Relief being absent, the moderator appointed C. H. Wharton & C. A. Lewis to make report on that subject during this meeting.

Forward Movement

The Chairman of Home Missions read the report on the Forward Home Mission Movement showing that the churches had responded cheerfully & liberally where the cause had been presented faithfully - that $1907.51 in cash & pledges had been secured; that $791.80 had been expended leaving on hand in cash & pledges $1115.71: and that the Committee hoped soon to secure a Presbyterial Evangelist. The report was approved

Home Missions

The Report on Home Missions was continued in reading from last night's session - the report was approved its recommendations considered seriatim, amended & adopted

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Home Missions Recommendations

The recommendations are as follows:

1. That we gratefully recognize the zeal, efficiency, & devotion of our Sabbath Schools, Young Peoples, & Ladies' Missionary Societies, & heartily testify to the valuable services they have rendered in the promotion of our work.

2. That the great and growing importance of the work before us and the enthusiasm which has met the efforts we have made to enlarge our work under the Forward Home Mission movement, encourages us to continue to enlarge our endeavors to reach our distressing destitutions. But instead of having, as before, a regular canvass for Presbyterial Home Missions, we do earnestly recommend that our churches raise the sum of $2000.00 for this cause. Said amount to include what is contributed by Sabbath Schools, Young People's & other Societies.

3. That to this end the committee of Apportionment is directed to make an equitable & practicable reapportionment of the churches for Presbyterial Home Missions.

4. In order to further strengthen the Committee of Home Missions, we recommend that Presbytery add to it the name of Rev. Dr. Alfred H. Moment of Raleigh.

General Evangelist D. P. McLeachy

5. That Rev D. P. McLeachy be elected Presbyterial Evangelist to take charge of our general Evangelistic work at a salary, inclusive of his expenses, of $1200.00 per annum.

6. Church Grouping. Evangelists &c.

(1) Warrenton Group. Rev C. N. Wharton, Evangelist. Warrenton to raise $250; Littleton $75; Louisburg, $125; Synod, $142; Presbytery $108. Total $700.00

(2) Wilson. Rev James Thomas Evangelist. Wilson to raise, $650; Synod $100; Presbytery $50. Total $800.

(3) Kinston. Rev E. D. Brown Pastor & Evangelist. Kinston to raise $650; Synod $150. Total $800.00

(4) Nutbush group. Rev E. P. Bradley Pastor & Evangelist. Nutbush to raise $270; Oak Hill $150; Grassy Creek $75; Synod $60; Presbytery, $40. Total $600.00

(5) Weldon Group. To be supplied by Lind. R. N. Orr. Weldon & R. Rapids to raise $170.00; Young Menil, $50.; Scotland Neck, $20; Synod, $245; Pres. $215. Total $700

(6) Elizabeth City. Rev R. L. Grier Evangelist. Elizabeth City to raise $300; Synod, $500. Total $800.

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(7) Greenville Group. Rev F. G. Hartman, Pastor & Evangelist. Greenville to raise $350; Falkland $100; Synod $200; Presbytery $150. Total $800.

(8) Hyde Co. Group. Rev J. N. Jarvis, Evangelist. Calvary & Makelyville to raise $350 each. Synod $100; Presbytery, $200; Gen. Assembly $125. Total $525.

(9) Payne Meml. Group. Rev C. W. McDonald, Evangelist. Payne Meml to raise $75; Aurora, $50; Nahalah, $80; Presbytery $245; Washington 1st (special) $100; Synod $250, Total $800

(10) W. D. Morton D.D. for fifth Sabbaths. $50.

(11) That Rev J. E. Wool take the oversight of Shiloh.

(12) " Rev H. S. Bradshaw " " " " Dover.

(13) Recommend that the Lagrange Church engage Rev S. H. Isler to preach one Sabbath each month. And that Presbytery give him permission to labor in this field. Signed. W. D. Morton, Chair."

Sabbath Observance

At 12 M. a popular meeting in the interest of Sabbath Observance was held. The Agent read his report on this subject, & stirring addresses were made by Revs. A. H. Moment D.D., W. D. Morton, D.D., & F. W. Harris. The report after being amended was adopted with its recommendations, and the answers

to the Gen'l Assembly's questions suggested were ordered forwarded to the Assembly. The Report is as follows: "Your Agent would report that he has endeavored to secure information on this subject from all part of the Presbytery by sending out a list of questions to each of our Ministers. He has received replies from nearly all of them. From these replies the following facts are gathered:

1. That the subject of Sabbath Observance generally speaking excites little or no interest. A few of our churches report a deep interest in the subject.

2. That the day is generally fairly well observed by our own people. By others more & more loosely observed.

3. That the most prevalent forms of Sabbath desecration are social visiting, driving for pleasure, neglect of God's house & the patronizing Sunday mails & trains.

4. From every part of the Presbytery comes the report that Sunday travel and traffic is on the increase. Three ministers report Sunday trains put on during the year.

5. In most of our pastorates some effort has been made to awaken interest in this subject, by preaching and otherwise. Two report efforts made

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in which all the churches in the town united
And two others that special efforts were made
Several report that no effort whatever in this direction
was made. While these reports
show some hopeful features - it is nevertheless
~~true~~ evident that the Sabbath is losing its hold
upon the heart & conscience of the people in general -
That our own people are becoming more & more
lax in ~~its~~ their observance of the day; &
That all need awakening - education & training
on this subject. Your agent would therefore
Recommend. 1) That all of our ministers be urged
to make special effort during the coming
year to awaken interest in this subject.
2) (Recom. of Com. assent) 'That every Session be urged to
take up the question of Sabbath Observance, & take
such steps as will bring the matter home to
the minds & hearts of the members of the Church.'
3) That this Presbytery enter its protest against
Sabbath Traffic upon our Railroads & Boats, and
especially against their practice of arranging
for excursions at greatly reduced rates, to summer
resorts on the Sabbath - And we would protest

especially against this practice on the part of
the A & N.C. R.R. which is owned & controlled
by this Christian State - and this protest be
presented by the Stated Clerk to the directors
of said roads -
4) That the Pastors endeavor to arouse their congre-
-gations & the Christian people in their communities
to protest against Sabbath excursions & Sabbath traffic.

Signed - E. D. Brown, Agent -
Sabbath Observance -

Report of Treasurer

√ The Treasurer read his report, which was
received & placed in hands of the Auditing
Committee. The report is as follows:

"Report of Treasurer - Apr. 21, 1904 -

I Presbyterial Fund Receipts to date $515.62
Disbursements — — 353.85
Bal. on hand $161.77

II Representative Fund. Receipts to date $156.26
Disbursements — - 155.82
Bal — .44

Signed - E. D. Brown Treas."

The Reports of the Committees on Narrative, & of Systematic Beneficence were
received, approved & ordered to be sent to
the General assembly & Synod -

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The Committee on Sessional Records (2nd List) made its report, which, after being amended was approved & the exceptions sustained.

The Committee on Calls & Installations reported recommendedg that the call of the Raleigh Church for the pastoral services of Dr Moment be placed in his hands - Dr Moment, having signified his acceptance - The following order was taken for his installation the 1st Sunday in May: Rev S. W. Farries to preside, preach, & propound the constitutional questions; Rev J. E. Wood to deliver the charge to the people & Rev J. H. Henderlite the charge to the pastor

Installation of Dr Moment

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Relief was read & after short addresses by Revs S. W. Lawson & D. P. McGeachy (of Wilmington Presbytery), it was approved & its recommendation adopted: viz: 1. That the Presbytery of Albemarle heartily endorse this cause & the work of our esteemed Secretary of Ministerial Relief, Dr I. S. McElroy & pledges its cordial support -

Ministerial Relief

2. That our ministers & churches be urged to cooperate with Dr McElroy & the Assembly's Committee;

and that our ministers or Elders be requested to present this cause from their pulpits & wherever possible & expedient to put into practice the assembly's plan for raising among their congregations, subscriptions to the Endowment Fund."

J. H. Henderlite, Chairman"

"Sunday Rest Congress"

The special Committee to report on the communication from the International Congress of Sunday Rest - made report and after being amended it was adopted as follows: Your Com" begs leave to report that it has examined the document sent out by the Secretary of the Sunday Rest Congress; that it has found the principles that have been adopted as the basis for its discussions, to be most sound; that it believes the purposes of the Congress to be both patriotic & Christian; that in consequence it should receive the hearty commendation of this Presbytery: & we recommend that Presbytery send to that Congress two special delegates, providing it can be done without involving the Presbytery in any expense; & that a copy of our action be sent by the Stated Clerk to the Rev Edward Thomas Secy. Hall of Congresses, Exposition grounds, St Louis Mo.

Respectfully Submitted

The Committee"

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The report of the Committee on Church & Xian Education was heard & on motion docketted for consideration at a later time during this meeting

Time of Next Meeting

The time of the Fall meeting of Presbytery was set for Sept. 20, 1904; at 7:30, P.M.

Commissioners to Gen'l Assembly

Revs C.N. Wharton and Elder H.H. Wilson, were elected Principal Commissioners to the General Assembly, with Revs E.P. Bradley & Elder W.S. Clary, Alternates.

The report of the Auditing Committee was received and approved.

Presbytery took recess to 8:P.M.

At 8:P.M. Presbytery assembled

The reports of the Committee on Publication & Sabbath School Work was received, and addresses were made by Revs Jno E. Cook & A.H. Moment, D.D. Action upon the report was deferred in order to hear Rev R.W. Boyd in behalf of Barium Springs Orphanage.

After being invited to sit as a corresponding member, Mr Boyd a member of Concord Presbytery - was heard in behalf of said Orphanage.

C.N. Wharton & W.S. Clary were appointed a committee to formulate & bring in recommendations with reference to the Barium Springs orphanage.

Installation of Rev J.H. Jarvis

The Committee on Calls & Installations recommended that the call for the services of Rev J.H. Jarvis for one fourth of his time at Makely vile, be placed in his hands - After Mr Jarvis had signified his willingness to accept the call - the following order was taken for his installation The 5th Sabbath in May; Rev S.G. Hartman to preside, preach, & propound the constitutional questions & Rev C.W. McDonald to deliver the charge to the pastor & to the people.

Rev J.H. Jarvis & Elders J.E. Kelly & D.W. Ayers were excused from attendance after tonight's session.

Presbytery adjourned, with prayer, to meet Friday at 10:A.M.

Friday Morning Apr 22, 1904

Presbytery met at 10:A.M. and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by Rev C.N. Wharton.

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The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

The report on Church & Christian Education was taken from the docket. Pending its adoption, owing to its connection with the subject, the report of the Special Committee on Purchase of the Crisp School Property, was received & approved and upon motion the whole matter was dropped.

Crisp School

Church & Xian Education

The report on Church & Christian Education was, after some emendations, approved, & its recommendations adopted. as follows:

1. That our Ladies Societies be directed to send all funds raised for school purposes through the Committee of Church & Christian Education.

2. In view of the great demand for religious and general Education in Hyde County, That the Committee of Church & Christian Education be instructed to use its best efforts to establish a Church School at Calvary Church & to secure a building for this purpose as soon as the way be clear.

G. W. Lacson Chairman"

The report of Committee on Publication and Sabbath School work was then considered and approved & its recommendations adopted. as follows: I as to Publication. "That

Publication & S.S. Work

Presbytery record its appreciation of the efficient work of the Assembly's Committee of Publication, and commend this cause to the sympathy & liberality of our people".

II As to Young People's Societies "1. That Presbytery expresses satisfaction with the work of the Young People's Societies within its bounds & commends them to the sympathy & cordial coöperation of the congregations with which they are connected.

2. That all of our Sessions earnestly consider the practicability of organizing the Young people in their respective congregations, for the purpose of interesting & training them in the work of the Church."

The report of the Committee on Sessional Duties was received & adopted. viz:

Your Committee has examined the reports from 31 Churches 3 of which, Dover, Falkland and Young Memorial, have no Session

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Six Churches made no report viz: Shiloh, Parmele, Roanoke, Roanoke Rapids, Shiloh & Strickland: two of which, viz: Parmele & Roanoke Rapids have no sessions.

1. We have none dependent upon public Charity according to the report of these 29 Sessions, a fact for which we should feel very grateful to God.

2. 25 Sessions report that representatives have been regularly Elected to meetings of Presbytery & Synod and have been requested to report to the Session whether or not they attended. Weldon & Scotland Neck did not Elect representatives & assign no reason. Nahatah did not on account of the Elder's absence at the time when he should have been Elected.

3. 13 sessions report that their Church paid the Expenses of Minister & Elder attending Presbytery & Synod. 7 report that they did not 8 report that Elder did not attend.

4. 27 sessions report no arrearage on stipulated salary of minister. Cane Mend & Oxford report a small arrearage & say that measures are being taken to pay it. Calvary reports an arrearage & that an Effort will be made to pay it.

5. 15 Churches report that no collections ordered by the Assembly were omitted. Others report as omitting from one to all, assigning various reasons. Such as: "crowded out by other causes", "preaching only once a month" "no preaching" &c. We are unable to state whether any were omitted by the Louisburg Church, as the Sessions makes no report on this item.

6. 26. Churches report their Presbyterial assessment paid. Weldon has not paid. ("No preaching") Scotland Neck & Payne Memorial report "not been assessed."

7. 16 Sessions report the Envelope System as the mode of collection. Others use Basket & General Collection. One uses "the Elder's hat."

We Earnestly recommend that the Envelope System be more generally used as the method of Collection, & that the Envelopes for the various Causes be always distributed, so that the members may always have the opportunity to contribute." Signed by the Committee

Jno E. Wool &
H. A. Wilson

The Committee on Apportionments made a report which was received & adopted: to follow;

Apportionment

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The Committee on apportionment made the following report which was adopted: "Your Committee would recommend the following changes in the apportionment - I as to Presbyterial & Travelling Fund - Greenville - Presbyterial Fund $5 - Trav. Fund $3 La Grange Presbyterial Fund $2 Travelling Fund $1 - 2 as to Presbyterial Home Missions - Atkinson Meml $30; Aurora $5; Brooksdale $2; Calvary $5; Cann Meml $20; Dover $3, Fallland $9; Geneva $30; Goldsboro $110; Grassy Creek $15; Greenville $20; Henderson $200 La Grange $2; Littleton $12; Louisburg $12; Makelyville $5; Nahalah $10; Newbern $200 Nutbush $40; Oak Hill $30; Olivet $6. Oxford $90; Payne Meml $6; Raleigh 1st $350 Roanoke $2; Roanoke Rapids $4; Rocky Mount $110 Scotland Neck $2; Shiloh $2; Tarboro $100 Warrenton $30; Washington $325; Weldon $10; Wilson $75; Young Meml $6; Total $1875.00.

With the $125 we are expecting from the General Assembly this would amount to $2000.00 & Your Committee recommends that the report of the Home Mission Committee be changed so as

to make our apportionment for this cause $1875 instead of 2000.00.

Respt. Submitted

E D Brown
W D. Morton } Com."

The Committee on Minutes of Synod reported that they had found nothing in the Minutes demanding the action of Presbytery but would call attention to the action of Synod with reference ① to Colored Evangelistic see p 47. ② advantages of Mission Study: p. 74 - ③ The Sabbath - pp. 82-83 -

The report of Committee on Statistical Report was adopted & ordered sent to the General Assembly -

The Committee on Sessional Records (2d part) made a report which was approved & the exceptions sustained.

Orphanage

The following report of the Special Committee on the Orphanage was adopted: "Presbytery has heard with a great deal of pleasure Bro. Boyd in behalf of the Orphans Home & recognized her responsibility & obligation in sustaining this noble work & hereby places on record

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her entire sympathy with, hearty endorsement of, & Earnest prayer for the Cause.

Considering the financial condition & the numbers of Orphans at the Home, thereby increasing considerably the Expense, we

✓ would recommend 1. That the Sum of $840 be apportioned among our Churches for this Cause & that Dilligent Effort be made by Every Church to meet its apportionment.

✓ 2. That our Sessions be enjoined to use Every effort to take one collection, for this cause, where possible, in the month of May as ordered by the Synod.

✓ 3. That a collection for the Home be taken in Each of our Sabbath Schools once a month"

C. N. Wharton & W. S. Clary. Com-"

Revision of Manual-

The Committee on revision of the Manual made a report which was adopted It will appear in new Manual when printed.

Rev G. T. Adams of Central M.E. Church was introduced & invited to sit as a visiting brother.

The Treasurer was instructed to report at the

Fall meeting concerning the feasibility of printing the new Manual - also to pay the balance due on Presbytery's apportionment & the Assembly's Home & School, at once -

The following Missionary Supplies were appointed:

Missionary Supplies

Rev E. P. Bradley one sunday at Young Memorial,
" C. N. Wharton one Sunday Each at, R. Rapids & Rosemary.
" J. H. Henderlite " " at Brookstone -
" F. W. Farrier " " " Dover.
" E. D. Brown " " " "
" W. D. Morton " " " "
" " " " " " Enfield
" Jas. Thomas " " " Strickland
" A. N. Moment " " " Cary or Mission point in Wake Co.
" C. W. McDonald " " Each at Parmele & Enfield. "5 neck.
" F. G. Hartman " " at Everetts.
" " " " " Crisp
" R. W. Alexander " " " "
" G. W. Lawson " " " Scotland Neck.
" N. S. Bradshaw " " " Oriental
" J. N. Jarvis " " " Leaksville
" Jno. E. Wool " " " Shiloh
" R. L. Grier " " " Mission point in his vicinity

20th Cent. Fund

The Committee on the 20th Cent. Fund made a report and after a short address by Rev D.P. McGeachy it was adopted as follows:
"Your Committee reports following collections for Year Ending Mar. 31, 1904 - Newbern, $35.00; Grassy Creek $25.00 Total $60.00
We would suggest that this cause be commended to the liberality of all the Churches of Presbytery
Signed by the Com. -"

Agent of Education

The Agent of Education reported collections for the year of $253.03 - of which amount $100 was sent to Candidate E.C. Caldwell - the balance being sent to the Assembly's Com. at Memphis. Also the following recommendations, which were adopted: "1. That the name of Candidate J.T. Rodman be dropped from the Presbytery's list of Candidates; at his own request.
2. That Presbytery urge all pastors & Sessions to take collections for Ministerial Education in April & November and have Treasurers send same to the Agent at once. -"
Signed: H.S. Bradshaw Agent.

Resolution in regard to Crisp School

Presbytery adopted the following resolution: "Resolved, that, while deploring the purchase of the Crisp School property unwise, yet Presbytery does hereby express its hearty appreciation of the loyalty of the Larboro Church to Presbyterianism & its interests as shown in its willingness & offer to do so much towards said purchase. -"

A hearty resolution of thanks to the Newbern Church was adopted by a rising vote.

Presbytery then adjourned with singing, prayer, & the Apostolic Benediction, to meet in the Louisburg Church Sept 21, 1904 at 7:30 P.M.

Signed:
G. W. Larson } Temporary
R. W. Alexander } Clerks.

Attest: E. D. Brown, Stated Clerk.

Called Meeting

Henderson N.C. June 24, 1904

Pursuant to the call of the Moderator, the Presbytery of Albemarle met at this time & place, to consider the matter of the dismissal of Rev C.N. Wharton to the Presbytery of Paducah -

Presbytery was called to order by Rev J.H. Henderlite, the last Moderator present, and was opened with prayer. There were present, Ministers: Wharton, Bradley, Henderlite & Dr Moment. and ruling Elder C.A. Lewis of the Henderson church. Mr Lewis was appointed temporary Clerk. Mr Wharton offered his resignation as Evangelist in this Presbytery, and asked for a letter of dismissal to the Presbytery of Paducah, that might accept a call to the Presbyterian Church in Morganfield Ky.

A call from said Church for his pastoral services was read, also a letter presenting the Call. After which, upon motion, Presbytery granted his request, and the Stated Clerk was ordered to furnish him with a letter of dismissal.

The following resolutions were adopted:

"Whereas, the Rev C.N. Wharton, having accepted

a call to the Church at Morganfield Ky, has been dismissed by the Presbytery at this meeting to the Presbytery of Paducah; Therefore be it resolved:

1. That the Presbytery would hereby express its profound regret at losing so valued & esteemed a brother; in point of service the oldest member of Presbytery, and one who as pastor, presbyter & Evangelist has, through many years and under circumstances most varied & trying, proven his fidelity and Efficiency. The dismissal of Brother Wharton occasions a distinct loss to the working force of the Presbytery and his presence & counsel will be sincerely missed from its meetings. For twelve years, almost from the organization of this Presbytery, as pastor & Evangelist in the same field, he has by his diligence & Efficiency won the esteem & affection of his people & rendered excellent & enduring service to the Church and the Master.

2. That the Presbytery most cordially & affectionately commends Brother Wharton to the ministry & fellowship of the Presbytery of Paducah, with the prayer that the rich blessing of our Heavenly Father may crown all his life & service in the new field of labor to which he goes."

After prayer by Dr Moment Presbytery adjourned

Attest: E.D. Brown Stated Clerk } Signed C.A. Lewis, Tem. Clerk

Minutes of the Thirty-first Session of the Presbytery of Albemarle.

Held at Louisburg N.C. Sept 20-22, 1904.

Presbytery met in the Presbyterian Church at Louisburg N.C., Sept 20, 1904 at 8: P.M.

By request of the Moderator, C.M. Brown, the opening sermon was preached by Rev J.H. Henderlite from 2 Chron. 17:16. Presbytery was called to order & constituted with prayer, by the Rev W.D. Morton, D.D., the last moderator present.

Roll — The roll was called by the Stated Clerk and the following ministers and Elders were present:

Ministers: James Thomas, E.D. Brown, E.P. Bradley, W.D. Morton, J.N. Jarvis, J.H. Henderlite, C.W. McDanald & A.H. Moment. Ruling Elders: J.J. Allen, Louisburg; R.A. Bullock, Nubush; James Dinwiddie, Raleigh 1st & G.W. Ayers of the Mebane Church.

Officers — Rev C.W. McDanald was elected Moderator, and Rev J.H. Henderlite & Elder R.A. Bullock, Clerks.

Rev W.D. Morton & Elder J.J. Allen were appointed a committee on Devotional Exercises.

Rev M. McG. Shields of the Presbytery of Kings Mountain was introduced & invited to sit as a corresponding member of this Presbytery.

The committee on Devotional Exercises made a partial report recommending that Rev Mr Shields preach tomorrow night at 8 o'clock. Adopted.

Additions to H.M. Com — At the request of the Chairman the following were added to the Committee of Home Missions, to act during this Session of Presbytery, viz: Revs C.W. McDanald, J.H. Henderlite, & C.D. Brown.

Hours of Meeting — The following Hours of Meeting were fixed: Morning Session - from 9:30 till 12:30. Afternoon Session from 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Night Session - from 8 p.m. to adjournment at will.

Rev E.P. Bradley was appointed to preach at 11 a.m. tomorrow. After which Presbytery adjourned with prayer to meet tomorrow at 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday Morning. Sept. 21, 1904

Presbytery was called to order at 9:30 a.m. and was opened with devotional exercises.

The minutes of last night's Session were read and approved.

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The Stated Clerk was intructed to read a topical outline of the minutes of the last regular instead of the full minutes

The minutes of the called meeting at Henderson were read and approved.

Communication

A Communication from the Home & School at Fredrickburg was read & referred to the Standing Committee on Minutes of the Assembly.

A communication from Mr J. R. Young with reference to the Orphanage was read, & on motion, was referred to a special Committee to be appointed by the Moderator.

Dismissal of Rev R. L. Grier

A Communication from Rev R. L. Grier asking that he be dismissed to Harmony Presbytery was read and his request granted.

Rev M. McG. Shields Received.

A letter dismissing Rev M. McG. Shields from the Presbytery of Kings Mountain to this Presbytery was read and after the usual examination Mr Shields was received & enrolled as a member of the Presbytery of Albemarle.

On motion arrangements were made for the Examination of Candidate R. H. Orr, with a view to his licensure; the Moderator

appointing the following brethren to fill vacancies in the Examining Committees: On the Literary & Scientific Course - Rev Dr Moment: on Church Government &c - Rev M. McG. Shields -

The Moderator appointed the following Standing Committees:

Standing Committees

1) Statistical Report: E. P. Bradley, J. H. Jarvis & R. A. Bullock.

2) Minutes of the General Assembly: Jas. Thomas, M. McG. Shields & James Hinsdale -

3) Calls & Installations: A. H. Moment, D.D., James Thomas & G. W. Ayers -

It was ordered that we hear the report of the Chairman of Home Missions tomorrow afternoon at four o'clock, and in connections that Presbytery hear five minute talks from its Evangelists, pastors & the Elders present on the progress of the work in their various fields -

The Treasurer read a statement of the financial condition of the Presbytery which was approved -

Elder John L. Henderson of the Warrenton Church appeared, and after giving satisfactory Evidence for Fardiness was enrolled -

The special order for a popular meeting in the interest of Missions was ordered for tomorrow night, at 8 o'clock.

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At 11: A.M. Presbytery heard an Excellent Sermon by Rev E. P. Bradley: Luke Mat. 7:21.

The books and papers of the Special Committee on Forward Movement in Home Missions, were placed in the hands of an Auditing Committee consisting of Messrs James Dinwiddie & G. W. Ayers.

Minister for the Warrenton Group

The matter of a minister for the Warrenton Group was introduced by Elder J. L. Henderson, and at his request, the privileges of the floor were granted to Mr Jno. Graham of Warrenton and Messrs W. T. & A. C. Hughes of Louisburg.

Upon motion the sum of $60 of the Home Missions Funds was appropriated to the Warrenton Group Col. W. T. Hughes pledging himself to contribute that amount.

Presbytery took recess till 3. P.M.

At 3:P.M., Presbytery resumed its sessions. It was made the special order to hear the Popular Lecture of Candidate Orr at 9:30 a.m. Thursday.

Rev E. D. Brown & Ruling Elder R. A. Bullock were appointed a special committee to to nominate the Permanent Committees of Presbytery.

The reports of Messrs Wharton & Wilson, our

Commissioners to the Assembly at Mobile, were read & approved & their diligence commended.

The report of the Missionary supplies was called for. Most of the brethren reported "duty performed", the others were excused.

L. C. Vass Enrolled

Rev L. C. Vass appeared in Presbytery, and made a statement of his sojourn in Africa, and after rendering his excuse for tardiness was enrolled.

The Committees to install Rev A. H. Moment, at Raleigh & Rev J. H. Jarvis at Makely ville, reported duty performed at the time appointed by Presbytery. The reports were approved.

Com. on Parmele Ch.

The Special committee on Parmele Church made a verbal report, which was approved and the committee continued with instructions to continue their efforts to insure said church building.

The report of the Trustees of Davidson College was approved & their diligence commended.

Trustees of D. College

Rev E. D. Brown was elected to fill out the unexpired term of Rev C. N. Wharton as trustee of Davidson College. Rev James Thomas was elected to succeed himself for two years

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Examination of Candidate R.H. Orr.

Presbytery proceeded to the Examination of Candidate Orr. with a view to his Licensure - The Examination on Experimental Religion, Motives &c was sustained as Satisfactory.
The Examination on Church History was sustained as Satisfactory - also that on Church Government & The Sacraments - and on Theology & Philosophy -
Ruling Elder S.K. Fountain of Rocky Mount Church appeared & after giving Satisfactory Excuse for tardiness was Enrolled -
The special Committee to Examine & audit the Papers & accounts of the Committee on Forward Movement reported that they had found same correct. - Adopted -
The Committee to Examine Candidate Orr on his Literary & Scientific Course, reported recommending that this Examination be sustained as Satisfactory part of Trial. Adopted -

Next Meeting Raleigh.

Presbytery accepted the invitation of the Raleigh 1st Church to hold its Spring Meeting with them on April 18, 1905 at 8:P.M.
Recess - Till 8:P.M -
At 8:P.M. Presbytery was called to order and heard a sermon by Rev M.McG. Shields; Text - Jno. 12:24.

Com. to prepare Memo. Lawson

Revs E.D. Brown, C.W. McDonald & Elder C.M. Brown were appointed to prepare a memorial of Rev Geo. W. Lawson, to be presented at an adjourned meeting during the Synod at Durham.
Presbytery adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock - Closed with Prayer -

Thursday. Morning - Sept. 22. 1904.

Presbytery met at 9:30: a.m & was opened with devotional Exercises conducted by Candidate Orr - who at this hour delivered his Popular Lecture from the Scripture assigned viz: Jno. 15:1-16 - Upon motion this was sustained as Satisfactory part of Trial -
The minutes of yesterdays Session were read and approved -
Letters were read from Revs Jno. E. Wool, T.J. Bradshaw, T.W. Farries & F.G. Hartman - giving reasons for non-attendance at this meeting The reasons were sustained as Satisfactory - and the brethren Excused -
The Committee to nominate Permanent Committees made the following report which was adopted; viz:

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Permanent Committees

"1. Home Missions: W.D. Morton, D.D., Chair. & Treas. A.H. Moment, D.D., Jno. E. Wool, F.W. Farries, Saml. Watkins, C.M. Brown, & John Lovelace.

2. Publication & S.S. Work: Jno. E. Wool, E.P. Bradley, & C.A. Lewis

3. Church & Christian Education: James Thomas, Ch. & Treas. M. McG. Shields & J.H. Jarvis.

4. Education (ministerial) H.S. Bradshaw, Ch. & Treas.

5. Foreign Missions: Rev J.H. Henderlite.

6. Ministerial Relief: Rev F.G. Hartman.

7. Colored Evangelization: R.W. Alexander.

8. Bible Cause. J.H. Jarvis.

9. Sabbath Observance & Family Religion: A.H. Moment, D.D.

10. Orphans Home J.R. Young.

11. Manses C.M. Brown.

12. Home & School. F.G. Hartman.

13. Historian E.D. Brown.

14. Examination of Candidates:

1) Notices &c - The Moderator.

2) Literary & Scientific Course: Rev Messrs. Bradshaw, Hartman & Wool.

3) Languages: Rev Messrs: Farries, Thomas & Brown.

4. Church History, Government & the Sacraments: Rev Messrs. Moment, Shields & Alexander.

5) Theology & Philosophy: Rev Messrs. Morton, Henderlite & Bradley.

15. Trustees of Presbytery: Saml. Watkins, Henderson, Chairman, Jno. Webb. Oxford, & Dr R.A. Patterson Airlie, N.C.

16. Advisory Board for Peace Institute: F.W. Farries, A.H. Moment, D.D., H.S. Bradshaw, W.S. Primrose & C.M. Brown. "

Colored Evangelization

The Committee on Colored Evangelization made a report which was approved and its recommendations adopted: viz: "1. That all our pastors be urged to preach on this subject before the collection is taken in December. 2. That our officers & Church workers be encouraged to establish Sunday Schools for Colored people. 3. That as liberal a collection as possible be secured in December.

E.P. Bradley. Chair."

Trial Sermon

At 11: a.m. Presbytery heard the trial sermon of candidate Orr from the text assigned; viz: Jno. 3: 14-15. Upon motion this was sustained as satisfactory part of trial. The Committee on Languages reported that they had examined Mr Orr on Latin, Greek & Hebrew, also his Thesis, & Critical Exercise & recommended that it be sustained as satisfactory part of trial — adopted.

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R.H. Orr Licensed

Upon motion Candidate Orr's Examinations were sustained as a whole; and Presbytery proceeded to license him after the manner provided for in the Form of Government. Pars 135-136

Statistical Report

Rev E.P. Bradley read the Statistical Report which was adopted & ordered forwarded to Synod: Viz: "To the Synod of N.C.; The Presbytery of Albemarle reports: 1- 15 ministers; 37 Churches; 1 Licentiate; 1 Candidate; 2447 Communicants; and $24,205.00 aggregate of all funds raised during the year Ending March 31, 1904, being $377.00 more than was raised last year -

2. 241 members were added during the year. a) On Examination 133. b) On certificate 108.
3. Two ministers were received - viz: A.H. Moment D.D. Apr. 1904 & M. McG. Shields - Sept. 1904.
4. Two ministers were transferred: viz, C.N. Cobb, June 1904 & R.L. Grier, Sept. 1904.
5. No Churches received or organized -
6. No Churches transferred or dissolved -
7. No Licentiates received.

8. No Licentiates transferred -
9. 1 Candidate received, viz: R.H. Orr. Apr. 1904 -
10. No Candidate transferred -
11. 1 Minister died: G.W. Lawson Aug. 12, 1904.
12. No Ordinations
13. 2 Installations; viz. A.H. Moment, at Raleigh, May 1904, and J.H. Jarvis, May 1904, at Makely ville.
14. No dissolution of the pastoral relation
15. One Licensure; R.H. Orr. Sept. 22, 1904.
16. Fifteen Ministers in charge of 31 Churches; 11 pastors, 2 Stated Supplies, 1 Evangelists, and 1 Foreign Missionary -
17. 6 Churches vacant -
18. $750 Average Salary paid ministers in charge of Churches -
19. 11 Manses; aggregate Value. $22,000 -
20. No minister or Church in 13 Counties, viz: Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Green, Hertford, Pamlico, Perquimans, Northampton, Tyrrel, & Washington.
21. The next Stated meeting of Presbytery at Raleigh N.C. April, 18, 1905, at 8: P.M. "

E.P. Bradley Chairman.

The report of the Special Committee on the Orphanage was approved and its

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recommendations adopted - as follows:

Orphanage. 1. That a special Effort be made to place "Our Fatherless Ones" in every home in our congregations.

2. That each church be very careful not to omit the regular collection in June for this cause.

3. That all our Sabbath Schools be urged to make a regular monthly contribution to the Orphans Home.

M. McG. Shields } Committee
R. A. Bullock }

At the request of the Chairman, Rev E. D. Brown made a report from the Committee of Education recommending that $100 be appropriated to Candidate E. C. Caldwell to assist him in pursuing a post-Graduate course - Upon motion the recommendation was voted down.

Recess to 3:P.M -

At 3:½ P.M. Presbytery was called to order.

Com. on Minutes of the Assembly

The report of the Committee on Minutes of the Assembly was read & adopted - as follows: "1. Presbytery appoint a Permanent Committee on the Home & School.

2. That Presbytery answer "yes" ~~in the affirmative~~ to the overture with refrence to the amendment of the Book of Church Order par. 79.

3. That Presbytery broaden the scope of its permanent Committee on the Sabbath so as to include family Religion. Jas. Thomas, Chairman"

Presbytery then took up the special order

Home Missions. for four o'clock viz: the report of the Committee of Home Missions - which was read & approved & its recommendations adopted viz: "1 That Presbytery elect Rev M. McG. Shields as our General Evangelist, at a salary of $1200 -and- 2. That of the funds he may collect in the field, $150 per annum, if necessary, shall be allowed him for Travelling Expenses.

3. That this Committee be authorized to request the Central Committee in Atlanta to grant us $300 per annum for the salary of our General Evangelist.

4. That in compliance with his own request, Rev C. W. McDonald be relieved from the care of the Payne Memorial group of Churches after Oct. 31st, or such time as may be convenient to him -

5. That Licentiate R. H. Orr be directed to take charge of the Weldon group of Churches until the Spring meeting of Presbytery - W. D. Morton, Chairman"

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Presbytery then heard five-minute addresses from our Pastors, Evangelists & Elders present on the State of Religion & Progress of the work - this was following with prayer by Rev M. McG. Shields - Presbytery ordered that the above be a regular feature of the Fall meetings -

Missionary Supplies

The following Missionary Supplies were appointed -

Rev F. W. Farris	one Sunday	at	Dover.	
" W. D. Morton	"	"	"	"
" James Thomas	"	"	"	Strickland -
" E. D. Brown	"	"	"	Aurora.
" E. P. Bradley	"	"	"	Enfield.
" H. J. Bradshaw	"	"	"	Dover
" Jno. E. Wool	"	"	"	LaGrange
" W. D. Morton	"	"	"	Enfield
" R. W. Alexander	"	"	"	Fountain
" F. G. Hartman	"	"	"	Everett
" R. H. Orr	"	"	"	Halifax
" Jas. Thomas	"	"	"	LaGrange.
" M. McG. Shields	"	"	"	discretion
" L. C. Vass	"	"	"	"
" A. H. Moment	"	"	"	"
" J. H. Jarois	"	"	"	Aurora.

The Stated Clerk was ordered to have a sufficient number of copies of Manual printed, as soon as the funds in the treasury will justify it -

Recess -

At 8. p.m. Presbytery was called to order - The Special order being a popular meeting in the interests of Missions, Presbytery heard the report of the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions - after which a most excellent address was delivered by Rev L. C. Vass of the Congo Mission -

Presbytery then approved the report on Foreign Missions & its recommendations were adopted viz:

Foreign Missions

1. Presbytery records its deep sense of & good heartfelt gratitude to the Great Head of the Church for that growth in grace manifested by the increased interest of the people in the work. Never before were the contributions so large, or the number of those offering themselves for the work so great. The last year was also the banner year for subscriptions to the missionary papers of the Church & in the in gathering of souls on the foreign field. For all these things we are profoundly grateful & humbly invoke a continuance of the divine blessing upon the home church & upon our brethren in foreign lands.

2 Presbytery lays this cause once more upon the hearts of all the Churches within its bounds, urging that they fail not to pray & to labor for a continuance of this progress, & to see to it that they meet the increased responsibility & obligations growing out of the enlarging work. The Presbytery Especially enjoins upon its ministers & present this cause to their Churches at least once a year from the pulpit, expounding to the people the teaching of the Scriptures & the commands of Christ; & to use all wise & helpful means for the furtherance of the work, that we may not fall behind our brethren in loyalty to the Great Commission. Presbytery notes with pleasure an increase last year of nearly $300 in our contributions to this cause. But it calls the attention of the Churches to two regrettable facts: The number of contributing churches last year was three less than for the previous year. And out of 37 Churches in our bounds, 13 were reported as not contributing to this cause. Presbytery urges the sessions of these delinquent churches to bring this matter to the attention of the people & if possible secure regular contributions. Respt. Submitted,

J. H. Henderlite Chairman"

Presbytery adopted a hearty vote of thanks for generous hospitality of the people of Louisburg by a rising vote -

After the reading & approval of the Minutes Presbytery adjourned with singing, prayer and the Apostolic Benediction, to meet at the call of the Moderator during the sessions of Synod at Durham.

Signed J. H. Henderlite } Clerks -
R. A. Bullock }

Attest: E. D. Brown, Stated Clerk.

Minutes Examined and found neatly and correctly kept.
Durham N. C. Nov. 16 - 1904.

J. M. Grier
Moderator

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of Presbytery of Albemarle at Durham, Nov. 15, 1904

The Presbytery of Albemarle met in the First Presbyterian Church of Durham, Nov. 15, 1904 at 4 P.M. The meeting was called to order by Ruling elder C. M. Brown of the Washington Church, the last moderator present. Opened with prayer. There were present: Ministers, F. W. Farries, James Thomas, E. D. Brown, A. H. Moment, L. C. Vass, M. McG. Shields, F. G. Hartman, E. P. Bradley, J. H. Hendrickx; Ruling elder C. M. Brown.

A H Henderson

A memorial of the Rev. G. W. Lawson was adopted & the S. C. was instructed to send a copy to Mrs. Lawson. Ruling Elder R. S. Barnett of Hopewell Church was introduced to the Presbytery & invited to sit as corresponding member. By the appointment of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg Mr Barnett presented a call from the Hopewell Church for the pastoral services of Rev. E. D. Brown. The call was placed in the hands of Mr. Brown, who signified his acceptance of the same. The S. C. was instructed to give Mr. Brown a letter of dismissal to Mecklenburg Presbytery. Mr. Brown resigned his position as S. C., Treasurer & Historian of Presbytery. Rev. J. H. Hendrickx was elected to this office. Rev. E. P. Bradley was elected to succeed

Dismissal of Rev. E. D. Brown

Mr. Brown as trustee of Davidson College. The Rev. F. W. Farries was appointed to draw up suitable resolutions in the matter of Mr. Brown's removal & present them at the next adjourned meeting. Presbytery adjourned with prayer to meet at the call of the Moderator.

J. H. Hendrickx, S. C.

Minutes of adjourned meeting held in First Presbyterian Church, Durham, Nov. 16, 1904.

The Presbytery was called to order by Elder C. M. Brown, last moderator present, in First Presbyterian, Durham, at 7:30 P.M. Present: Ministers, W. D. Motton, F. W. Farries, A. H. Moment, James Thomas, E. D. Brown, J. H. Hendrickx, F. G. Hartman, E. P. Bradley; + M. McG. Shields Ruling elder C. M. Brown. Opened with prayer.

A H Henderson at

The Home Mission Committee was directed to recommend that the Church at La Grange be grouped with the Kinston Church. The following paper was adopted:

In dismissing Rev. E. D. Brown to the Mecklenburg Presbytery, the Presbytery of Albemarle would place on record their high appreciation of his Christian character, his efficiency as a pastor & his faithfulness as a member of this court. Under his pastorate the congregation at Kinston, who have enjoyed his ministrations for the past eight years, has been greatly built up & strengthened. During these years, by his scholarly ability, his ready

Resolution concerning E. D. Brown

sympathy with all the troubled & bereaved, he won to an unusual degree the confidence & affection of the members of his Church, & the esteem of the whole community. As a member of the Presbytery he is a brother greatly esteemed & beloved for his genial Christian spirit & the sterling manliness of his character. For several years he has been the Stated Clerk & Treasurer of the Presbytery, & the efficient manner in which he has discharged their duties of these offices has ever secured the approval & commendation of the court. The Presbytery, whilst deeply regretting the removal of their brother from their bounds, pray that the change may contribute to the reestablishment of his health, & that he may be used to greatly promote the cause of Christ in the new field to which he is called.

F. W. Fames, Com.

The S. C. was instructed to have printed & to distribute among all the Churches of the Presbytery all the apportionments of the various Churches for the current year.

The S. C. & Treasurer was instructed to pay Rev. E. D. Brown out of funds in hand $10.00, balance due for services as Stated Clerk.

Adjourned with prayer.

J. H. Hendritte. S. C.

Minutes of the Thirty Second Session of the Presbytery of Albemarle, held in the First Presbyterian Church of Raleigh, N.C. April 18-20, 1905.

Opening Services

The Presbytery of Albemarle met in the First Presbyterian Church of Raleigh, N.C. Apr. 18 at 8 P.M. Devotional exercises were conducted and a sermon was preached by the Rev. A. J. Herries of the Presbytery of Erie, (the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.) from the text Jude 3. The Presbytery was called to order by Ruling Elder C. M. Brown of the Washington Church, the last Moderator present and was constituted with prayer by the Rev. E. P. Bradley.

The following ministers and Elders were present:-

Attendance

Ministers:-	Ruling Elders:-	
James Thomas	H. B. Williams, Calvary Church,	R. B. Peters, Tarboro
W. H. Norton	O. A. Daniel, Geneva "	D. F. Crinkley, Warrenton
E. P. Bradley	C. S. Lewis, Grassy Creek	C. M. Brown, Washington
J. E. Wood	P. M. Johnston, Greenville	
J. H. Hendritte	Saml. Watkins, Henderson	
R. W. Alexander	G. W. Ayers, Mebaleyville	
F. G. Hartman	C. E. Foy, New Bern	
H. S. Bradshaw	J. M. B. Hunt, Nutbush	
J. H. Jarvis	N. B. Daniel, Oak Hill	
M. McG. Shields	S. C. Toyler, Oxford	
A. H. Monroe	J. B. Womack, Raleigh	
	W. S. Clay, Rocky Mount	
	H. C. Nelson, Shiloh	

Rev. R.W. Alexander was elected Moderator, and Rev. J. Elwood and Ruling Elder W.S. Clary, Temporary Clerks.

Organization

The hours of session were fixed as follows:- Presbytery meet for devotional service at 9 A.M. Business taken up at 9:30. Recess at 12:30. Afternoon session from 3 to 6. Recess at 6 P.M. Evening session from 8 P.M. to adjourn at will. Wednesday at 8 P.M. was made time for special order of Popular Meeting in behalf of Missions.

Rev. R.F. Bumpas D.D. of the M.E. Church, South, was introduced to the Presbytery and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Rev. A.S. Caldwell of Concord Presbytery and Rev. A.J. Herries of Erie Presbytery (Pres. Church in U.S.A.), were introduced and invited to sit as corresponding members.

Presbytery adjourned to meet at 9 A.M. on Wednesday.

2nd Day. Presbytery met at 9 AM. and after devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. Elwood, the minutes of previous session were read and approved.

Rev. F.W. Fanies and Elder Jno. Slaughter of the Goldsboro Church were excused for tardiness and Mr. Slaughter was enrolled.

The moderator announced the following Standing Committees:

1. Devotional
Rev. A.H. Moment
J. B. Womack

2. Nomination to General Assembly
H.S. Bradshaw, W.D. Morton, R.B. Peters, C.L. Lewis.

3. Sessional Duties
M. McY. Shields, Samuel Watkins, D.F. Cornihly.

4. Systematic Beneficence
F.G. Hartman, O.A. Daniel, C.E. Foy.

Standing Committees.

5. Statistical Report
E.P. Bradley, H.B. Williams, P.M. Johnston.

6. Sessional Records
A-H. F.W. Fanies, J.M.B. Hunt.
I-Q. J.H. Jowis, G.W. Ayers.

7. Auditing Committee
W.S. Clary, C.M. Brown

8. Minutes of Synod
James Thomas, N.B. Daniel, L.C. Taylor.

9. Calls and Installations
A.H. Moment, F.W. Fanies, H.C. Nelson.

A communication from Dr. S.L. Morris, Secretary of General Assembly's Home Mission, was read and referred to the Com. of Home Missions.

The minutes of the fall meeting at Louisburg were read and approved. Also the minutes of two adjourned meetings held during meeting of Synod in Durham.

Resignation of F. G. Hartman

Rev. F. G. Hartman offered his resignation as pastor of the Greenville Church. Presbytery appointed a Commission consisting of James Thomas, R. W. Alexander, H. S. Bradshaw and Elders C. M. Brown and H. E. Shaw, to meet in the Greenville Church and take action concerning this resignation. The Greenville Church was cited to appear before this Commission to show cause why the resignation of Mr. Hartman be not accepted and the pastoral relation dissolved.

Rev. A. S. Caldwell was heard in behalf of the Synod's Orphans' Home at Barium Springs.

The Washington Church was granted permission to employ the Rev. A. J. Herries as Stated Supply until the fall meeting of Presbytery.

After today the hours of meeting were changed as follows: Meet at 9:30 A.M. Devotional Exercises for 15 minutes. Take recess at 1 P.M. till 3:30 P.M. Afternoon session from 3:30 to 6. Evening session from 8 P.M. till adjournment at will.

Rev. J. O. Reavis of Dallas Presbytery and Rev. Carr Moore of Lexington Presbytery were introduced and invited to sit as corresponding members. Rev. F. A. Bishop of M. E. Church, South, was introduced and invited to sit as visiting brother.

The Examination of Licentiate R. H. Orr for

Exam. of Candidate Orr.

Ordination was taken up, and he was examined on Experimental Religion &c. which was sustained as satisfactory part of trial. Presbytery took recess to meet at 3 P.M. Presbytery called to order at 3 P.M. The examination of Mr. Orr was resumed and sustained on the following parts of trial: Philosophy and Theology, Ecclesiastical History, Hebrew and Greek, Church Government and Sacraments. Ruling Elder H. E. Shaw of the Newton Church was examined for fitness and enrolled. The time for hearing the sermon of Mr. Orr was fixed for 12 o'clock tomorrow.

Rev. Carr Moore received

The Rev. Carr Moore presented a letter of dismission from Lexington Presbytery, and after the usual examination he was received and enrolled. The Com. of Calls and Installations was directed to procure a duplicate of the Call from the Wonenton Church for the pastoral services of Mr. Moore. Rev. W. W. Morton read report of the Com. of Home Missions which was received. The reading of minutes of sessions was deferred till such time as Presbytery should hold conference on state of religion and progress of the Churches.

At 5 P.M. Presbytery took recess to attend reception given by faculty and students of Peace Institute. Presbytery convened at 8 P.M. and a popular meeting was held in behalf of Missions.

Rev. W.D. Morton presided and addresses on Presbyterial Home Missions were made by Elder Samuel Watkins and Rev. M. McG. Shields. Rev. J. O. Reavis, Coordinate Secretary of Foreign Missions, was heard on Foreign Missions.

Popular meeting for Missions

A collection for missions was taken up. The report of the ~~first~~ second section of Com. on Sessional Records was read and adopted. Presbytery then adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9:30.

3d Day. Apr. 30.

Presbytery met at 9:30 AM. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. James Thomas. Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved. Elders C. E. Foy of New Bern, E.F. Lambe of Cane Memorial, H.B. Williams of Cabarrus and Rev. F. G. Hartman were excused from further attendance after this morning's session. Com. of Assembly's Home and School reported the contributions of the churches to this cause $56.72. Amount of debt apportioned to this Presbytery, $80.00, paid in full. Report adopted. Com. of Ministerial Relief reported, recommending that the sum of $50.00 be appropriated to Mrs. Fanny Hines. Adopted. The nominations of the churches were read. Presbytery adopted the following resolution: "Resolved that the Nominating Com. of this Presbytery at each fall meeting is directed to nominate a suitable minister

Annual Sermon on Family Religion

to preach a sermon on Family Religion before the Presbytery at a suitable hour at the Spring meeting."

Dismission of Rev. C.W. McDaniel

Rev. C.W. McDaniel was excused for non attendance upon this meeting. He was granted a letter of dismission to the Presbytery of Winchester. The report of the Com. of Sessional Records, Section First, was adopted.

The following resolution was offered: "Whereas, Presbytery has observed with profound gratitude the increased interest taken in Foreign Missions by the Southern Church, and recognizes that this is largely due to the "Forward Movement"; and Whereas, in the mind of the Presbytery the time has come when concerted action should be taken by its churches to keep abreast of this movement; therefore be it resolved: That the first Sunday in May or some Sunday soon thereafter be observed as "Forward Movement Day" in all our churches, and if practicable the churches enter into the plan urged by our Executive Com. of Foreign Missions."

Resolution on the Forward Movement

The consideration of this resolution was made the first order of the afternoon session. Presbytery took recess for 10 minutes. At twelve o'clock Presbytery listened to a sermon by Licentiate Orr from Rom. 5:10. which was sustained as satisfactory part of trial. The trial parts of Licentiate Orr were approved as a whole.

Ordination of Licentiate O.N.

The Presbytery then proceeded to ordain Mr. Orr, by the laying on of hands, as an Evangelist. The Moderator propounded the constitutional questions and Dr. Moment offered the prayer. Presbytery took recess at 1 P.M. Presbytery called to order at 3:30 P.M. The report of the Com. of Narrative to the General Assembly was adopted:- 1. Attendance upon services of the Sanctuary by members and others quite good.

Report of Com. of Narrative

2. Reports indicate that there is the usual sad neglect of Family worship on the part of a majority of our people. So much so that the Presbytery proposes taking decided steps toward reviving the interest in this vital matter.

3. The Lord's Day is fairly well observed by our people in this section, even tho in the midst of surrounding flagrant desecrations.

4. As a general thing children are well trained in the Scriptures and Catechisms of the Church.

5. As a rule the people worship the Lord with their substance and give to the support of the Gospel quite satisfactorily.

6. Three fourths of the Churches have paid their pastors promptly and fully.

7. In only a few Churches have there been special evidences of spiritual life and growth.

8. Worldly conformity seems not to prevail except in a few localities.

9. One-fourth of our Churches are engaged in outside Evangelistic work.

10. All Churches and groups of Churches are generally supplied with preaching.

Report on Ministerial Education

Agent of Ministerial Education reported in part as follows: Apportionment of Presbytery $350.00.

Total amt contributed by Churches 344.25.

11 Churches paid apportionments in full, 6 Churches in part. 18 Churches paid nothing. 1 Candidate, E. C. Caldwell, pursuing post graduate course at Union Seminary. No candidates aided by your agent this year.

Recommendations:

1. That Presbytery call attention of delinquent Churches to their respective delinquencies.

2. That Presbytery conform to the General Assembly's plan for Ministerial Education, in that the Presbytery's Agent send all funds for this cause to the Assembly's Treasurer for distribution, reserving the privilege of stipulating the amount to be appropriated out of her own funds to her own candidates.

Cand. E. C. Caldwell dismissed.

3. That Candidate E. C. Caldwell, at his own request, be transferred to the Presbytery of Orange, and that his trial parts for licensure, assigned by the Presbytery, accompany the transfer.

N. S. Bradshaw, Agt.

The order of the day, the resolution offered by Agent of Foreign Missions on the Forward Movement, was taken up and the resolution adopted.

Report on Home Missions was taken up as unfinished business and was adopted; the recommendations being as follows:

Recommendations of Home Missions Com.

1. Resolved - by Your Com. that the 2nd Sunday in Nov. be set ~~apart~~ apart as Sabbath School Home Mission Day in this Presbytery, and that pastors and sessions be earnestly requested to have collections for this cause in the Sabbath Schools under their care.

2. That in response to the communication from Dr. S. L. Morris, Sec. of General Assembly's Home Missions, we do earnestly request all our Church sessions, pastors and evangelists to take efficient means for the realization of all the opportunities for this great cause so fruitful of benefits to the whole Church.

W. D. Morton, Chairman.

Presbytery accepted the resignation offered by Rev. J. H. Jarvis of the pastorate of Mocksville Church and dissolved the pastoral relation, the Church concurring in the request.

Minutes of Synod

The report of the Com. of Minutes of Synod was adopted, with the following recommendation: "Your Com. recommends that Presbytery appoint an Executive Com. of three to look after the interests of the Orphans' Home."

James Thomas, Chairman.

Commissioners Gen. Assembly

The following Commissioners were elected to the General Assembly: Principals, Rev. E. P. Bradley and Ruling Elder C. M. Brown. Alternates, Rev. J. H. Hendricks and Ruling Elder N. B. ~~Daniels~~ Morton.

Presbytery took recess at 5 P.M.

At 8 P.M. the order of the day was the popular meeting in behalf of Sabbath Schools, Sabbath Observance and Family Religion. Rev. F. W. Farries presided and addresses were delivered by Rev. J. E. Wool, Rev. E. P. Bradley and Mr. W. D. Morton.

Enfield Church organized.

The organization of a Church at Enfield was reported as follows: On March 6, 1905 a church was organized at Enfield, N.C. consisting of 6 members. W. T. Whitehead was elected Ruling Elder and G. V. Boyd Deacon. Having both formerly been ordained they were installed by Your Evangelist. M. McG. Shields Evangelist.

The report was approved and the Enfield Church enrolled.
Report of Com. of Sabbath Schools was adopted and ordered to be sent to Synod and General Assembly.

Sabbath Schools

The report showed the following statistics:
No. schools 27. Officers and Teachers 232, Scholars 1540, Average attendance, total, 1182.
Scholars admitted to Communion 33.
Funds Contributed: Current Expenses $778.00
For. Missions $194.00, Home Missions $106.00
S. S. Mission Work of Gen. Ass. $18.00, Other Causes $394.00
Total contributions $1490.00

After the usual Examination on Experimental Religion and Motives in seeking the Gospel Ministry Mr. H. C. Nelson, a Ruling Elder in the Shiloh Church, was taken under care of Presbytery and placed under the oversight of the Com. of Education.

H. C. Nelson

The Com. of Sabbath Observance and Family Religion read a report which was adopted, with the following recommendation: "Your Com. recommends that each pastor of this Presbytery shall between this time and our September meeting preach a sermon on the right observance of the Sabbath."

Sabbath Observance

A. H. Moment, Chairman

The Com. of Calls and Installations read a call from the Wauneton Church for the pastoral services of the Rev. Carr Moore. It was found in order and placed in Mr. Moore's hands, who signified his acceptance of the same. The following Committee was appointed to install him over the Wauneton Church: Rev. J. H. Hendulite to preside and preach the sermon; Rev. J. E. Wool to deliver the charge to the pastor, and Rev. R. H. Orr to deliver the charge to the congregation.

Installation Rev. Carr Moore

Time, May 22nd, 1905 at 8 P.M.

The report of the Board of Bible Cause was adopted as follows: 10 churches contributed $55.00, a slight increase over last year. 28 churches contributed nothing.

Recommendations:

1. That all our ministers preach a sermon on the subject.
2. That wherever practicable Church sessions appoint a Committee of Young people whose business it shall be to devise plans for the support of the Bible Cause, and that all plans be submitted to the pastor or session for approval.

Bible Cause

J. H. Jowis, Agt.

Chairman of Home Missions made a partial report on Missionary supplies as follows:

Missionary Supplies

1. Rev. F. W. Fanies one Sunday at La Grange.
" W. D. Morton " " " Enfield.
" James Thomas " " " La Grange.
" A. H. Moment " " " Greenville.
" Carr Moore " " " Franklinton.
" J. E. Wool " " " Shiloh.
" H. S. Bradshaw " " " Cann Memorial.
" R. W. Alexander " " " Falkland.
" J. H. Jarvis " " " Hyde Co.
" M. McG. Shields " " " Falkland.
" J. H. Mendenhall " " " Cann Memorial
" A. J. Herrick " " " " "
" R. H. Orr " " " Aurora.

The Report of the Com. of Home Missions on Groups of Churches and their supplies was also adopted as follows:-

Groups and Supplies of Churches

1. Nutbush Group. Rev. E. P. Bradley.
Nutbush to raise $275.00
Oak Hill " 163.00
Grassy Creek " 100.00
Synod " 55.00
Presbytery " 70.00
2. Wilson Field - James Thomas.
Wilson to raise $700.00, Synod $100.00
Mr. Thomas to give one Sunday's service to Strickland.

3. Warrenton Group. Rev. Carr Moore.
Warrenton to raise $355.00
Littleton " $110.00
Louisburg " 125.00
Synod " 110.00
Presbytery " 200.00
4. Shiloh to raise $75.00
Presbytery " 100.00
Rev. J. M. W. Elder to be allowed to labor here.
5. Evangelist for 5th Sundays, W. D. Morton $50.00
6. Kinston Group. To be supplied.
Atkinson Memorial to raise $675.00
Wover " 100.00
Synod " 50.00
7. Elizabeth City. To be supplied.
Cann Memorial to raise $300.00
Synod " 400.00
Presbytery " 100.00
8. Mahalah Group. Rev. J. H. Jarvis.
Mahalah to raise $100.00
Hodgson $25.00, Joynes 25.00 50.00
Scotland 25.00
Synod 200.00
Presbytery 300.00

9. Weldon Group	Rev. R. H. Orr.
Weldon to raise	$100.00
Roanoke Rapids & Rosemary	70.00
Young Memorial	50.00
Enfield	70.00
Presbytery	150.00
Synod	200.00
10. Greenville Group	To be supplied.
Greenville to raise	$350.00
La Grange "	50.00
Falkland "	100.00
Synod "	200.00
Presbytery "	100.00
11. Hyde Co. Field.	To be supplied.
Calvary to raise	$50.00
Makeleyville "	50.00
Aurora "	40.00
Assembly "	125.00
Synod "	175.00
Presbytery "	200.00 Manse.
12. Presbyterial Evangelist.	Rev. M. McG. Shields.
Synod to raise	$300.00
Presbytery "	900.00

The roll was called and ministers reported on Missionary Supplies for past 6 months. Reports approved.

The Stated Clerk was directed to secure Manuscript of the New Manual and be guided thereby till sufficient funds are in the treasury to publish the Manual.

The Treasurer of Presbytery reported as follows:

Treasurer's Report

Receipts:-

Bal. in Treas. Nov. 15/04 $10.54.

Rec'd from Pres. Assessments 162.00

" Rep. Travelling Fund 97.50

" E. C. Murray, 20th Cy " 85.00

Disbursements:-

Pd E. W. Brown, bal. on Salary as S. C. & Treas.	$10.00
Postage & Stationery	2.50
Presbyterian Pub. Com. Supplies	8.00
Printing, P. T. Jones	5.50
D. T. Craig, Synodical Assessment	20.00
Salary S.C. Six months ending Apr. 15/05	25.00
Check to James Thomas, 20th Cy. Fund	85.00

The report of Treas. together with his books and vouchers referred to Auditing Com.

Stated Clerk was directed to print all minutes that

are imprinted up to and including minutes of this meeting.

The report of the Auditing Com. was adopted as follows: Your Com. to audit accounts of Treasurer find after an Examination of the books that he had on hand on Rep. Trav. Fund from last report $1.84

Auditing Com.

He has rec'd during year 112.50
making 114.34
He has paid Expenses of this meeting, (Trav. Fund) 121.95
Leaving this acct overdrawn $7.61

He had on hand Pres. Fund last report 8.70
Has rec'd since " 272.00
making $280.70

Has paid out per vouchers 146.00
Leaving on hand (Pres. Fund) $134.70

Books of Rev. W. W. Morton, Treas. of Home Mission Com. show him to have had on hand last report $28.93
Has rec'd during year 2334.15
making $2363.08

He has paid out per vouchers 1910.76
Leaving on hand $452.32

C. M. Brown } Com.
W. S. Clay }

Report of Com. of Systematic Beneficence was adopted as follows:-

Systematic Beneficence

Funds contributed by Churches of Albemarle Presbytery Year Ending March. 31st 1905:-

Objects:-	No. of Churches contributing	Amounts
Foreign Missions	22	$1478.81
Assembly's Home Missions	20	297.82
Social " "	25	2641.17
Colored Evangelization	20	129.44
Ministerial Relief	18	171.53
Education	21	946.96
Publication	18	138.31
Bible Cause	9	55.00
	Total	$5859.04

9 Congregations have contributed to the 8 Objects.
7 " " " " 7 "
3 " " " " 5 "
1 " " " " 4 "
1 " " " " 2 "
3 " " " " 1 "

12 Churches have made no report.

The report was ordered sent to Synod and Gen. Assembly.

The request of the Oxford and New Bern Churches for a division of the Presbyterial Assessment and Rep. Travelling Fund were placed on the

docket till the fall meeting.

Place & time of next meeting.

Smithbush Church was selected as the place of the next stated meeting of Presbytery, and Wednesday before the first Sunday in Oct. at 8 P.M. the time. The report of the Committee of Young Peoples' Societies was adopted as follows, and ordered sent to the General Assembly:

Young Peoples Societies.

No. of Societies in Presbytery	11
" " Male Members reported	68
" " Female " "	231
Total members reported	370
Contributed to current expenses	$5.00
" " Foreign Missions	147.00
" " Home "	35.00
" " Other Causes	70.00
Total Contributions	257.00.

Nearly all the societies are missionary in purpose. All are under the control of the session.

Women's Societies.

The report of the Com. of Women's Societies was adopted and ordered sent to the Gen. Assembly. It showed the following facts:

No. of Societies in Presbytery reported	26
Total membership	588
Local Causes	$660.70

Home Missions	$212.72
Foreign Missions	174.10
Other Causes	188.35
Total Contributions	1234.87.

The following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved: that the Home Mission Committee meet at a sufficient time before the convening of Presbytery to thoroughly prepare their report".

"R.W. Alexander"

The Pres. Assessment and Rep. Travelling Fund of Geneva Church were changed in table of assessments as printed from $7 and $5 respectively to $5 and $4, in order to conform with the order of Presbytery previously taken for this change.

A very hearty and enthusiastic vote of thanks to the Congregation of the Raleigh Church, and to the faculty of Peace Institute for the generous hospitality and entertainment provided for the Presbytery was passed. The statistical report to the General Assembly was adopted, subject to necessary corrections by the Stated Clerk. Presbytery then adjourned, (the minutes being read and approved) with singing, prayer & Apostolic Benediction, to meet in the Smithbush Church, Wed. before First Sunday in Oct. 1905.

J.E. Wood } Temp. Clerks.
W. S. Clary }

Attest: J.H. Hendricks. S.C.

Minutes of Pro-Re-Nata Meeting
at Goldsboro, N.C.

Presbytery met in Presbyterian Church of Goldsboro under the following call of the moderator, June 7, 1905 at 1 P.M.:-

"The constitutional requirements having been complied with, I hereby call Albemarle Presbytery to meet in the Presbyterian Church of Goldsboro, N.C., on Wednesday, June 7, at 1 P.M. to transact the following business: (1). To dissolve the pastoral relation between the New Bern Church and the Rev. H.S. Bradshaw, and dismiss him to Orange Presbytery.

(2) To grant New Bern Church permission to secure a Stated Supply if the way be clear.

(3) To appoint an Agent of Ministerial Education and a Director of Peace Institute.

(4) To take such action as may be necessary to supply our Mission Field.

"5/27/05 "R. W. Alexander, Mod."

The said call having been deemed in order, Presbytery was duly organized by electing Rev. F. W. Farries Moderator & H.E. Shaw, of Kinston Church, Clerk pro tem. Presbytery was constituted with prayer.

The following members were found to be present:- Ministers, F. W. Farries, A. H. Vroment, James Thomas

H.S. Bradshaw, M. McG. Shields; Elders: John Slaughter of Goldsboro Church, H.E. Shaw of Kinston Church.

Dismission of Rev. H.S. Bradshaw to Orange Presb.

The resignation of Rev. H.S. Bradshaw as pastor of the New Bern Church was accepted and the pastoral relation dissolved. Mr. Bradshaw was dismissed to the Presbytery of Orange. A Committee consisting of Rev. James Thomas and Rev. M. McG. Shields was appointed to prepare a suitable minute upon the resignation of Mr. Bradshaw. The New Bern Church was granted permission to secure a Stated Supply till the fall meeting of Presbytery. The matter of electing a Director of Peace Institute was deferred till the fall meeting of Presbytery. The Rev. James Thomas was elected Agent of Ministerial Education.

Presbytery adjourned, with prayer and Apostolic Benediction.

H.E. Shaw, Temporary Clerk F. W. Farries, Mod.
J.H. Henderlite, S.C.

Minutes of the Thirty-Third Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Albemarle. Sep. 27-29. 1905.

First day.

Sep. 27 The Presbytery of Albemarle met according to adjournment in the Mitchell Church, Sep. 27, 1905 at 8 P.M. and was opened with a sermon by the retiring Moderator, the Rev. R. W. Alexander, from Rev. 1:18c: "And have the keys of hell and of death."

Opening Exercises

Presbytery was then constituted with prayer.

The roll was called and the following ministers and ruling elders were found present:-

Roll.

Ministers:	Elders:-
W. D. Morton	M. H. Wooten - Atkinson Memorial
E. P. Bradley	Otho Daniel - Geneva
J. E. Wood	J. R. Moore - Greenville
J. H. Henderlite	N. D. Morton - Mitchell
R. W. Alexander	George Allen - Raleigh
A. H. Moment	C. M. Brown - Washington
M. McG. Shields	

The Rev. A. H. Moment D.D. was elected moderator and Rev. M. McG. Shields and Elder M. H. Wooten temporary clerks.

The Rev. J. E. Poindexter of the Protestant Episcopal Church was introduced to the Presbytery and

invited to sit as a visiting brother.

The Rev. Isaac Campbell Ph. D. of Barrie Presbytery, Presbyterian Church in Canada, and Rev. P. C. Dubose of the Presbytery of Charleston, Synod of S.C., were introduced to the Presbytery and invited to sit as corresponding members. The hours of meeting were fixed as follows: Convene at 9:30 A.M. - take recess at 12:30 P.M. - reconvene at 2 P.M. and adjourn at will.

It was ordered that Reformation Day be celebrated during this meeting of Presbytery in accordance with the recommendation of the Pan-Presbyterian Alliance, and that Dr. Moment be heard on the "Church of the 16th Century", Thursday at 11:30 A.M. The remainder of the programme was left in the hands of the Com. on Devotional Exercises. The minutes of the last spring meeting, also of the pro-re-nata meeting held at Goldsboro, were read and approved.

Presbytery adjourned with prayer by the Rev. J. E. Wood.

Second Day

Thursday, Sep. 28. The Presbytery met at 9:30 A.M. and engaged in devotional exercises conducted by the Moderator. The minutes of last night's session were read and approved. The following Standing Committees were announced:-

Standing Committees

Devotional Exercises: Rev. E. P. Bradley, Rev. R. H. Orr, Elder Otho Daniel.

Statistical Report to Synod: Rev. R. W. Alexander, Elder J. R. Moore, Elder George Allen.

Minutes of General Assembly: Rev. J. E. Wool, Elder C. M. Brown, Elder N. D. Morton.

Dismission James Thomas

The resignation of Rev. James Thomas as an Evangelist in the Presbytery was accepted, and at his request he was granted a letter of dismission to the Presbytery of King's Mountain. Rev. M. McG. Shields and Rev. R. W. Alexander were appointed a special committee to express the appreciation of the Presbytery of his character and work.

The Presbytery heard the excuses for absence rendered by Rev. F. W. Fenices & Rev. James Thomas and they were excused from attendance at this meeting.

Communication from Rocky Mount Society

A communication from the Ladies' Home & Foreign Missions Society of the Rocky Mount Church, asking that the time & place of the annual meeting of the Presbyterial Union be different from the time and place of the Spring meeting of the Presbytery, received favorable consideration and was referred to the Executive Com. of the Union with the request that they communicate

their desires in this matter to the Presbytery at its adjourned meeting at Synod.

Three o'clock this afternoon was fixed as a special order for hearing the report on Foreign Missions and in connection therewith an address from the Rev. P. C. Dubose on the Forward Movement. The hour immediately following the consideration of Foreign Missions was fixed for hearing a statement of our Home Mission work by the Chairman, together with the report of the Presbyterial Evangelist.

Rev. R. H. Orr, Rev. Carr Moore, & Elders J. R. Clack of the Henderson Church, G. B. Daniel of Oak Ridge Church & C. L. Lewis of Grassy Creek Church, appeared in Presbytery, gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness & were enrolled.

After a statement by the Treasurer of the Presbytery as to the condition of the Treasury, the following resolution was adopted:-

Resolution about Presbyterial Assessments

Resolved that Presbytery regards the Presbyterial Assessment and Representatives' Traveling Fund as a debt due by the Churches, & the first obligation to be discharged by the Churches after meeting their own necessary expenses.

No delegate shall receive the benefit of the Traveling Fund unless his Church has paid its assessments to the fund for the current year. The Stated Clerk is directed to communicate this resolution to the Churches.

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Next place of Meeting

Greenville was chosen as the place of next meeting and Tuesday, Apr. 17, 1906, at 8 P.M. as the time.

The Rev. Isaac Campbell Ph.D. presented a letter of dismission from the Barrie Presbytery, Dominion of Canada, and after the usual examination he was received and his name enrolled.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises submitted a partial report recommending that Dr. Moment preach a sermon at 11:30 A.M. in lieu of the address on "The Church of the 16th Century". Rev. R. W. Heiss of the Presbytery of Orange was introduced to the Presbytery and invited to sit as a corresponding member. The report of the Trustees of Davidson College was made and approved. A communication from the Assembly's Secretary of Home Missions was read and referred the Presbytery's Committee on Home Missions. Presbytery listened to a sermon of great power by Dr. Moment from Ephs. 2:18 - "For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father".

Presbytery took recess till 2 P.M.

Presbytery met at 2 P.M. The Committee on Apportionments made a report which was adopted.

The following changes in apportionments were made:

Apportionments of New Bern Church

New Bern Church: Presbyterial Assessment $25; Traveling Fund $10, Synod's Home Miss. $50, Presbyterial H.M. $140 For. Miss. $75; Min. Educ. $25; Church & Xtian Educ. $5.

Enfield

Ministerial Relief $10, Publication $5, Orphanage $50.

Apportionments of Enfield: Presby. Ass. $2, Trav. Fund $1, Assembly's H.M. $1, Synod's H.M. $1, Res. H.M. $3, For. Miss. $3, Education $1 Ch. & Xtian Ed. $1, Relief $1, Publication $1, Col. Evang. $1, Orphanage $2.

Commissioners to the General Assembly, Rev. E. P. Bradley and Elder N. D. Morton, made their report which was approved and their diligence commended.

The Missionary supplies made reports & the excuses of those failing to discharge their duties were received as satisfactory.

The report of the Agent of Foreign Missions was read and approved and its recommendations were adopted seriatim as follows:-

Foreign Missions

1. Presbytery calls the careful attention of the ministers & Church sessions to the distressing financial conditions announced by the Assembly's Secretaries of Foreign Missions & most earnestly urges that prayerful consideration be given to this matter & that hearty efforts be made to relieve the serious embarrassment that threatens our Foreign Mission Enterprise.

2. The Churches are instructed to forward all Foreign Mission funds without delay to the Assembly's Treasurer in response to the request of the Executive Committee.

3. The Presbytery calls the attention of the ministers and sessions to the resolution concerning the

"Forward Movement" that was adopted at the last spring meeting & urges their hearty and speedy action upon the same.

J.H. Henderlite, Agent.

The Presbytery heard with great pleasure an admirable address by Rev. P. C. Dabose on China & the Forward Movement & expressed its appreciation by extending to him a vote of thanks. By request of the Presbytery the Moderator led in a fervent prayer for God's blessing on our missionary work & on our home churches in view of the threatened deficit in our treasury.

The order for hearing statements concerning our Home Mission work from the Chairman and Evangelist was postponed until tomorrow at 10:30 AM.

The Committee on Statistical Report to the Synod made its report which was approved.

Rev. R. W. Alexander offered his resignation as Chairman of Com. on Colored Evangelization which was accepted.

Rev. R.W. Alexander & Elder J.R. Moore were excused from further attendance after today's session.

Elders George Allen & C.M. Brown and Rev. M. McG. Shields were appointed a Committee to suggest to the Presbytery a plan looking to the improvement of the methods now

in use for raising the collections in our churches.

Rev. J.H. Henderlite offered his resignation as Agent of Foreign Missions, & pending its consideration Presbytery adjourned with prayer by Rev. R.W. Alexander.

Third Day.

Friday Sep. 29 Presbytery met at 9:30 AM. and engaged in devotional exercises conducted by the Moderator. The minutes of yesterday's session were read & approved.

A report from the Commission to dissolve pastoral relation between Rev. F. G. Hartman & the Greenville Church was read, & on account of certain clerical irregularities the Stated Clerk & Rev. M. McG. Shields were appointed a special Committee to bring in an explanatory minute to be recorded in connection with this report.

Rev. E. P. Bradley & Rev. R.H. M & Elder J.R. Clack were appointed to bring in a report on Colored Evangelization.

A Committee on Nominations was appointed consisting of Rev. W.W. Morton & Elders C.M. Brown & Otto Daniel.

The resignation of Rev. J.H. Henderlite as Agent of Foreign Missions was taken from docket & Presbytery declined to accept the same. The report of the Agent of Ministerial Education was read & approved.

The report of the Committee on Minutes of the Gen. Assembly was read & pending its consideration the order of the

day was taken up. Presbytery heard the report of the Presbyterial Evangelist & the report of the Chairman of the Committee on Home Missions. The report was approved and its recommendation adopted as follows:

Home Missions.

We recommend that all our ministers and Church sessions use faithful efforts to bring up our pro rata of the amount which the Assembly has asked to use its efforts to realize for this interest so vital to the welfare of our Church — $20,000 00.

W. W. Morton, Chairman.

Rev J.H. Jarvis appeared in Presbytery, rendered a satisfactory excuse for tardiness & was enrolled.

The special Committee on finances made a report which was adopted and ordered printed & sent to the Churches by the stated Clerk. Elders C.M. Brown & George Allen were excused from further attendance after this morning's session. In accordance with the recommendation of the Committee on Devotional exercises Presbytery heard an address of great eloquence & power by Rev. A.H. Moment on John Knox.

Presbytery took recess till 2 P.M.

Presbytery met at 2 P.M. The report of the Committee on Nominations was adopted as follows:

Additions to Permanent Comts.

a. Church & Xtian Education: Rev. M. McG. Shields.
1. Com. on Ministerial Education: Rev. F.W. Harris.
2. " " Ministerial Relief: Rev. R.W. Alexander.
3. " " Colored Evangelization: Rev. Isaac Campbell.
4. " " Home & School: Rev. R.H. Orr
5. Trustee of Davidson to fill out unexpired term of Rev. James Thomas, Rev. A.H. Moment.
6. Member of Advisory Board Peace Institute to fill out unexpired term of Rev. N.S. Bradshaw, Rev. R.W. Alexander
7. Examining Committees — Following added (See p. 444)
On Lit. & Scientific Course, Rev. R.H. Orr.
" Languages, Rev. Isaac Campbell.

Commission to Greenville Church

The Special Committee on report of Commission to ~~install~~ dissolve pastoral relation between Rev. F.G. Hartman & the Greenville Church made its report which was approved. Presbytery ordered minutes of this Commission & the report of the above Committee to be spread on the minutes as follows:

"The Commission on the resignation of Rev. F.G. Hartman as pastor of the Greenville Church met in the Goldsboro Presbyterian Church. The Church at Greenville being represented united with Bro. Hartman in his resignation, & the resignation was accepted.

"James Thomas, Chairman"

Report of Special Committee on the foregoing:

"Notwithstanding the omissions in the above report of the Commission the following facts are known to be true: 1. The Commission met on June 7, 1905.

2. A quorum of the Commission was present.

3. A certified copy of the action of Greenville Church showing their concurrence in the request for the dissolution of the pastoral relation was read to the Commission.

4. The minutes of the meeting of this Commission were read & approved before adjournment.

Presbytery orders this statement to be spread on the minutes in connection with the report of the Commission".

"M. McG. Shields" } Com.
"J H Vendutelle" }

Presbytery listened to a most excellent sermon by the Rev. Carr Moore from Heb. 10:14: "By one offering he hath perfected forever them that are sanctified."

The Report of the Committee on Minutes of the Assembly was taken up as unfinished business and its recommendations adopted as follows:—

Minutes of Assembly

1. That the recommendations of the Assembly as to the Sabbath Schools & Young Peoples' Societies be adopted by the Presbytery (Ass. Min. 1905, pp. 53, 54)

2. That the query of the Assembly sent down to

Presbyteries in regard to the amendment of the Book of Church Order in the matter of Commissions (Book of Church Order, Section 7, Chapter V.) be answered in the affirmative.

(3) That Ministers and Church sessions have their attention specially called to "Bureau of Information" established by the Assembly. [Ass. Minutes 1905, pp. 26, 27, (1) to (8)]

J. E. Wool, Chairman.

The following report of the Committee on temporary supplies was adopted:

Temporary Supplies

Rev. F. W. Fanies	one Sunday at	Aurora
" R. H. Orr	"	Shickland
" R. W. Alexander	"	Fountain
F. D. Liehe	"	Ballard's Roads
" Isaac Campbell	"	Aurora
W. W. Minton	"	Makelyville
M. McG. Shields	"	Calvary
A. H. Moment	"	Elizabeth City
J. H. Vendutelle	"	"
Carr Moore	"	Wilson
J. E. Wool	"	Shiloh
J. H. Jarvis		Aurora
E. P. Bradley	"	Swanquarter

The Rev. F. G. Hartman was excused from attendance at this meeting. The Committee to express the appreciation of the Presbytery of the character & services of the Rev. James Thomas made a report which was adopted & ordered sent to Stated Clerk of Kings Mountain Presbytery with certificate of dismission.

The Stated Clerk, and Elder Samuel Watkins of the Henderson Church were appointed a committee to make a digest of former minutes (hitherto not printed) before printing the same.

Church & Christian Education

The Committee on Church & Christian Education made a report which was adopted. Recommendations:-

1. That the Committee be authorized to build a temporary and movable partition in the Calvary Church in Hyde Co., and seat one portion of the Church with desks for school purposes.

2. That they be authorized to secure a suitable teacher and open school Jan. 1, 1906 and continue same for six months provided there are sufficient funds in the Treasury for this purpose.

M. McG. Shields
J. H. Jarvis.

The Stated Clerk, Elder Samuel Watkins and Rev. M. McG. Shields were appointed a Committee

to revise the Manual and have the same printed as soon as possible.

The Committee appointed to act at this meeting on Colored Evangelization made a report which was approved and the following recommendation adopted:-

Colored Evangelization

Resolved that all our ministers be urged to preach on this subject before the time of the next collection for this cause.

E. P. Bradley, Com.

The Committee on the installation of Rev. Carr Moore at Waxenton reported the duty discharged & the report was approved. Rev. J. H. Jarvis, Rev. M. McG. Shields & Elder J. E. Kelly of Jarboro Church were appointed a Committee to arrange for the removal of Parmele Church to Hobgood if found to be advisable.

The Rev. F. W. Farries was appointed to preach the annual sermon on Family Religion at the next Spring meeting, with Rev. J. E. Wood as alternate.

A resolution of thanks for the hospitality of Mt Bush Church & friends of the community was adopted by a unanimous and rising vote.

The following resolution was adopted:

Presbytery's Evangelist

Resolved that Presbytery hereby expresses its appreciation of the valuable services rendered by its Evangelist,

the Rev. M. McG. Shields, during the past twelve months, making record of his eminent fidelity, zeal & wisdom in the prosecution of this great and exacting work, which has received in so large measure the divine blessing.
The report of the Committee on Devotional Exercises recommending that Rev. J.H. Hendrickson make an address tomorrow at 11 A.M. on Martin Luther; followed by Rev. Carr Moore on John Calvin; & that Rev. W.W. Morton deliver an address at 2 P.M. on the Influence of the Presbyterian Church on the United States of America, was adopted.
It was ordered that when we adjourn we do so to meet at the call of the Moderator during the sessions of Synod. Today's minutes were read & approved. After singing a hymn the Presbytery adjourned with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction.

M H Worth } Clerks
M. McG. Shields }

Attest: J.H. Hendrickson. S.C.

Minutes Examined in Synod at Red Springs N.C. Oct. 26' 1905, and found neatly and correctly kept as far as written.

Lucius Craig
Moderator

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting held at Red Springs during sessions of Synod.

Presbytery met in Southern Presbyterian College and Conservatory of Music, Monday, Oct 23, 1905 at 8 P.M. Called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator, Rev. A.H. Moment D.D. The following were found present:- Revs. A.H. Moment, W. W. Morton, R.H. Orr, J.H. Hendrickson; Ruling Elders C.M. Brown of Washington Church and S.K. Fountain of Rocky Mount Church. At his own request a letter of dismission was granted to Rev. F. G. Hartman to the Presbytery of East Alabama.
A resolution to grant no aid from Home Missions funds to any members of the Presbytery who are engaged in any other remunerative occupation outside of the regular duties of a Minister of the Gospel was docketed till the Spring meeting.
A communication was received by telegraph from Rev. P.P. Winn, Stated Clerk of Atlanta Presbytery, stating that Mr. F.D. Liche was a candidate for the ministry under the care of Atlanta Presbytery and authorizing this Presbytery to examine Mr. Liche with a view to licensure. Mr. Liche was received and his Examination was ordered. The Examination on Literary and

Scientific Courses was sustained. Presbytery took recess to listen to a sermon by President W.W. Moore of Union Seminary. Presbytery met after divine worship. Rev. H.S. Bradshaw and Rev. D.M. Hawthorne, both of Orange Presbytery, were introduced and invited to sit as corresponding members.
The Examination of Candidate Liske was resumed and sustained as satisfactory on Hebrew and Greek, Church History, Government and Sacraments, and Theology and Philosophy. The Greek Exegesis and Latin Thesis were referred to Committees. A Committee was appointed to arrange for sermon of Mr. Liske. A committee consisting of J.E. Wood, M. McG. Shields and C.M. Brown was appointed to bring in suitable resolutions upon the dismission of Rev. F.G. Hartman. Presbytery took recess till 9 A.M. tomorrow. Presbytery met at 9 A.M. Tuesday, Oct 24. Committees reported that Greek Exegesis of Mr. Liske on Rom. 5:1-11, and Latin Thesis on Divinity of Christ be be sustained as satisfactory parts of trial, and the reports were adopted. Presbytery listened to Mr. Liske's Popular Lecture
(Psa. 24.) which was sustained. Mr. Liske preached a sermon on the text I Tim. 2:5, which was sustained.

Presbytery then took recess. Presbytery met at 7 P.M. Revs. M. McG. Shields, R.W. Alexander, Isaac Campbell, E.P. Bradley, and Elders George Allen of Raleigh Church, R.B. Peters of Fairboro Church and Walter Bullock of Midway Church were excused for tardiness and enrolled. Rev. E.W. Brown of Mecklenburg Presbytery was introduced to Presbytery and invited to sit as a corresponding member. Upon motion the entire examination of Candidate Liske was sustained as satisfactory and Presbytery proceeded to license Mr. Liske as a probationer in the Gospel Ministry. The Moderator propounded the questions according to the Book of Church Order and Mr. Shields led the Presbytery in prayer. The Calls from Greenville and La Grange Churches for the services of Mr. Liske were read and placed in his hands. A Commission was appointed to meet in Greenville Church on the 3d Thursday night in November next to ordain and install Mr. Liske. The commission was composed as follows: W.E. Morton, Isaac Campbell, R.W. Alexander, Elder W.B. Wave; Morton to preside and charge the pastor, Campbell to preach the sermon, Alexander to charge the people.
A Commission was appointed to install Mr. Liske

at La Grange on Monday after 4th Sabbath in Nov. at 7:30 P.M.: Moment to preside and preach the sermon, Farries to charge the pastor, Campbell to charge the people, Elder McDonald of La Grange Church.

Presbytery reconsidered its action in appointing a committee to bring in resolution concerning Rev. F. G. Hartman, and instructed the Stated Clerk to send a communication to the Presbytery of Atlanta expressing its appreciation of Mr. Hartman's high Christian character and loyal and efficient services as a Presbyter.

Presbytery adjourned with prayer by Mr. Bradley.

attest: J. H. Hendrlite, S.C.

Pro-re-nata Meeting in Henderson Ch Dec. 18.

Presbytery met in the Henderson Church, Dec. 18th, 1905, at 3 P.M. under the following call of the Moderator:-

The Constitutional requirements having been complied with, the Presbytery of Albemarle is hereby called to meet in the Henderson Church, Dec. 18th at 3 P.M.; if the way be clear, to transact the following business:-

(1.) To receive and act upon the resignation of Mr. Wool as pastor of Oxford and Geneva Churches.

(2) To place in his hands a call from the Wilson Church.

(3). To arrange for his installation at Wilson.

(Signed) A. H. Moment, Moderator.

Mr. Wool's resignation of Oxford & Geneva Churches.

The following members were present: Messrs. Wool, Bradley, Orr, Hendrlite and Moment; Elders O. A. Daniel of Geneva Church, L. C. Taylor of Oxford Church, J. R. Clark of Henderson Church. The Moderator led in prayer, and the call for the meeting was read and found in order. Mr. Wool offered his resignation as pastor of the Oxford and Geneva Churches, in order to accept a call to the Wilson Church. Dr. L. C. Taylor, of Oxford Church, expressed the deep regret of the Oxford Church in losing Mr. Wool and its cordial appreciation of his services, but stated that the Church consented to concur with him in the request for the dissolution of the pastoral relation. After a similar statement from Mr. Daniel as to the sentiments and action of the Geneva Church, Presbytery accepted the resignation of Mr. Wool and placed in his hands the call from the Wilson Church. A letter from the Wilson Church in prosecution of the call was read. Mr. Wool having signified his acceptance, Presbytery took order for his installation as follows:-

Installation at Wilson Church

Time, the third Thursday in Jan. at 7:30 P.M. Dr. Moment to preside, preach and propound the constitutional questions; Mr. Alexander to charge the pastor; Dr. Morton

to Charge the people; Mr. Farries and Dr. Campbell, alternates.
Mr. Bradley and Mr. Hendrickson were appointed to preach at Oxford and Geneva Churches, respectively, and declare the pulpits vacant; at such time as they might agree upon with the sessions of the Churches; and Mr. Hendrickson was appointed to act as Moderator of the Sessions and confer with them when requested.

Adjourned with prayer and Benediction.

J. H. Hendrickson, S.C.

Pro-tem- note
meeting at New Berne
to receive Rev. J. G. Garth
Feb. 20, 1906.

Presbytery met in the New Berne Church Feb. 20th, 06 at 7 P.M. under the following call of the Moderator:-

"The Constitutional requirements being complied with, I hereby call the Presbytery of Albemarle to meet in the New Berne Church, Feb. 20th at 7 P.M.; if the way be clear, to transact the following business:

1. To receive the Rev. J. G. Garth from the Presbytery of Nashville, and to place in his hands a call from the New Berne Church.
2. To arrange for his installation as pastor of the New Berne Church.

"A. H. Moment, Moderator."

The following members were present:- Ministers, A. H. Moment, F. W. Farries, Isaac Campbell; Elder Thomas Henry. ~~Dr. Campbell was appointed Temporary~~

The meeting was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. Dr. Campbell was appointed Temporary Clerk.
The Rev. R. E. Knowles of the Presbytery of Guelph, Dominion of Canada, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.
After the usual examination Mr. Garth was received from the Presbytery of Nashville, and it was ordered that his name be enrolled as a member of Presbytery. The call of the New Berne Church was read and placed in his hands. Mr. Garth having signified his acceptance of the call, the Presbytery proceeded to his installation. A sermon was preached by the Moderator, Dr. Moment, from Mark 7:24 – "He would not be hid." The constitutional questions were propounded to the Congregation and the pastor-elect, and the relation was declared consummated. A suitable charge was delivered to the Congregation by Mr. Farries, and to the pastor by Dr. Campbell. The right hand of fellowship was extended by the members of the Presbytery.

Presbytery adjourned with the Benediction.

Isaac Campbell, Tem. Clerk

Attest:-
J. H. Hendrickson, S.C.

Signatures to the Pledge.

See Book of Ch. Order Par. 76

For the ministerial obligation - See + read Book of C.O. Par 119.

Pledge

I do, ex animo, receive and subscribe the above obligation as a just and true exhibition of my faith and principles, and do resolve and promise to exercise my ministry in conformity thereunto.

No. 39. A R. Shaw, Henderson, N.C.
40. L. C. Vass New Bern, N.C.
W.D.M. 41. W D Morton
E.P.B. 42. E. P. Bradley Williamsboro N.C.
43. J. V. H. Summerell, Washington, N.C.
44. H. S. Bradshaw, New Bern, N.C.

Pledge for Candidates

I promise faithfully to conform to all the requirements of this Presbytery in the case of Candidates for the Ministry, to respect its counsels and obey its directions, so far as concerns my preparation for the work, and in the event I abandon my purpose to enter the ministry or fail in my obligation as above stated, to earnestly endeavor to repay the money given by the Presbytery for my education.

Signatures

John A Gilmer

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Presbytery of Asheville

Erection and Organization.

Movement Initiated

At the session of Mecklenburg Presbytery which convened at Huntersville, March 31, 1896 a committee from the western part of the Presbytery appeared with a request to be set off as a new Presbytery, making the Blue Ridge the boundary line.

Action of Mecklenburg Presbytery

In answer to this request, Presbytery took the following action, viz: a Committee composed of Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D., Rev. A. A. Little, Rev. J. M. Greer and Ruling Elders A. S. Summey of Southside Church and A. G. Brenizer of Charlotte First Church, was appointed to consider the matter and at the next regular meeting report upon the following points:—

1. The advisability of dividing the Presbytery;
2. As to the line of division;
3. As to the amount of pecuniary assistance to be afforded by the stronger to the weaker body.
4. As to all other matters pertaining to said proposed division.

The committee made their report at the

meeting of Presbytery which convened at Davidson River Church on October 6, 1896, whereupon Presbytery ordered the following overture to be sent up to the Synod:-

"To the Synod of North Carolina:-

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg respectfully Overtures the Synod of North Carolina to erect out of the churches in her bounds, a new Presbytery, which shall be known as Asheville Presbytery, and which shall embrace the counties west of the Blue Ridge, viz:- Madison, Buncombe, Henderson, Haywood, Transylvania, Macon, Jackson, Swain, Graham, Clay, and Cherokee, containing the following Churches:- Asheville, Bethany (colored), Bethel (Haywood Co.), Brevard, Bryson City, Centre, Davidson River, Dillsboro, Franklin, Hendersonville, Hiwassee, Midway, Murphy, Mills River, Morrison, Oak Forrest, Southside, Swannanoa and Waynesville (Nineteen Churches with a total membership of 1,005.); Ministers:- D. I. Lowder, E. A. Sample, J. T. Wade, W. J. Williams, J. S. Morrow, H. M. Parker, R. F. Campbell, D.D., J. E. Wicker, J. B. Cochrane, R. W. Alexander (10); Candidate:- W. W. Williams of Mills River Church.

Petition to Synod.

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg promises and pledges itself to pay to the new Presbytery

when it shall be formed the amount of $500.00 per year for three years for Home Mission work, and to allow its General Evangelist to labor four months during the summer in the new Presbytery.

Attest: Eugene L. Siler,
Stated Clerk.

Davidson River Church, Oct. 8. 1896."

The above Overture was presented to Synod at the session which convened in New Berne on November 10, 1896. The petition was granted and a Committee consisting of Rev. R. A. Miller, Rev. J. W. Stagg, and Ruling Elder W. A. Blair of Asheville Church was appointed to nominate a time, place and Moderator for the first meeting of the new Presbytery. The Committee reported, in due season, recommending that the first meeting be held in the Ashville Church, Asheville, N. C., on the first Wednesday of December, 1896, at 11 o'clock A. M. and that Rev. E. A. Sample be the Moderator. The report was adopted and made the order of Synod.

Action of Synod.

In accordance with this order the ministers and representatives of the Churches named met at the time and place appointed and the Presbytery of Asheville was organized.

Presbytery of Asheville Organized.

Presbytery of Asheville.

Minutes.

First Session.

Asheville, N.C. December 2. 1896.

Presbytery Constituted

The Presbytery of Asheville, according to appointment of the Synod of North Carolina, met in the First Presbyterian Church of Asheville, N.C. on Wednesday, Dec. 2. 1896 at 11 A.M. and was constituted with prayer by Rev. E.A. Sample, the Moderator appointed by the Synod.

Temp. Clerk

Rev. J.B. Cochrane was appointed Temporary Clerk.

Roll-Call

The following Roll was made out:- Revs. R.S. Campbell, D.D., J. S. Morrow, J.T. Wade, H.M. Parker, E.A. Sample, and J.B. Cochrane; Elders, H.M. Lockwood of First Church, Asheville, D.M. Killian, of Waynesville, A.T. Summey of Southside and L.T. Williams of Hendersonville.

Calls for Pastoral Serv.

Calls were received from Murphy Church for half-time at a salary of $200.00 and Hiwassee Church for one-fourth-time

of Rev. J.B. Cochrane.

at $100.00, of pastoral services of J. B. Cochrane and were ordered to be placed in his hands

Rev. R. S. Vandeve of the Presbytery of Erie was introduced to Presbytery and invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Rev. A. H. Demorest, of Classis of New York, Dutch Reformed Church, was introduced and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Elder S. F. Venable of Oak Forrest Church appeared and was enrolled.

Election of Stated Clerk and Trustees.

Rev. E. A. Sample was chosen Stated Clerk. and Elder W. A. Blair Treasurer, and Elders J. D. Murphy, W. H. Faucette and S. F. Venable Trustees of Asheville Presbytery.

On motion of Rev. H. M. Parker, the following paper was adopted:-

Executive Committee Appointed

"It is moved that an Executive Committee of Presbytery be elected who shall have the various state causes under their supervision, viz: Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Colored Evangelization, Church Erection and Invalid Fund during the intervals of Presbytery."

Place of Next Meeting

Waynesville was appointed as the place for spring meeting of Presbytery, and Rev. R. W. Alexander and Elder D. M. Killian appointed a committee to suggest time of meeting and to act as

Committee of Arrangements.

Agt's of S.S. and Bible Cause.

Rev. J. S. Wade was elected as Agent of Sunday Schools and Rev. H. M. Parker as Agent of Bible Cause.

Com. on Examination of Candidates.

The appointment of Committee on Examination of Candidates for the Ministry was referred to the Moderator.

Record Book.

Stated Clerk was ordered to buy a suitable book for recording the Minutes of Presbytery.

Presbytery took recess till 4 P.M.

4 P.M.

Presbytery resumed business by devotional exercises conducted by Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D. after which a collection was taken for the cause of Home Missions.

Executive Committee.

The following Executive Committee was appointed: — Revs. R. F. Campbell, D.D., R. W. Alexander, and H. M. Parker; Elders, W. A. Blair, N. J. Summey, W. H. Faucette and Theo. Morrison.

Rev. Dr. Lawrence of Holston Presbytery was introduced and invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Bethany Ch. Lot.

On motion it was ordered that the lot purchased in Asheville for Bethany Church be turned over to Rev. J. S. Morrow to meet the debt

owed him by that Church.

Order to Install Rev. J. B. Cochrane

Rev. J. B. Cochrane accepted calls to Murphy and Hiwassee Churches and Revs. Parker and Alexander and Elder A. S. Summey were appointed a committee to install him the first week in January.

Time of Next Meeting

Elder D. M. Killian reported for the Committee suggesting the last Tuesday of April as the time of next meeting. Adopted.

On motion the Executive Committee of Presbytery was authorized to address a letter to the Sessions of the Churches urging upon them the importance of sending representatives to the next meeting of Presbytery.

Leave of Absence

Prof. S. F. Venable was appointed Committee on Leave of Absence

On motion Presbytery adjourned until 9.30. A. M. tomorrow.

(Signed) J. B. Cochrane. Temporary Clerk.

December 3, 1896, 9.30 A.M.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer by Elder N. P. Rankin of Franklin Church.

Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

Com. on Examination.

Moderator announced as the Committee on Examination of Candidates for the Ministry Rev. R. G. Campbell, D.D. and Rev. H. M. Parker.

The Executive Committee made the following report:—

Report of Ex. Com.

We respectfully recommend to Presbytery:

1. That Rev. J. T. Wade be requested to immediately visit Sapphire with a view to making it a mission point — preach there and report at once to the Committee as to the prospect of establishing a work there.

2. That the collection in April in our various Churches be for the cause of Church and Manse Erection, instead of for Education for the Ministry. Adopted.

Rev. J. L. Wicker and J. S. Boswell, Ruling Elder of Brevard Church, appeared, gave excuses for tardiness which were sustained, and were enrolled.

Thanks of Presbytery were extended to the First Church of Asheville for hospitality in entertaining the body, by a rising vote.

Adjournment.

On motion Presbytery adjourned with prayer, praise and benediction to meet in Waynesville, N. C. the last Tuesday in April at 7.30 P. M.

A. S. Summey, Temp. Clk. E. A. Sample S.C

Second Session: April 27, 1897.

Waynesville, N.C.

The Presbytery of Asheville met pursuant to adjournment in Waynesville Church at 7.30 P.M. The devotional exercises were conducted by Moderator Rev. E. A. Sample except the sermon which at his request was preached by Rev. H. M. Parker from 1 Chronicles, 29:14. Presbytery was then constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

Presbytery Constituted

The Roll being called the following were found to be present:-

Roll Called

Ministers:- E. A. Sample, J. T. Wade, H. M. Parker, R. F. Campbell, D.D., J. L. Wicker, J. B. Cochrane, R. W. Alexander;

Ruling Elders:- A. J. Osborne of Bethel Church, W. J. Orr, of Brevard, E. L. Slagle of Centre, J. E. Mackey, of Davidson River, N. P. Rankin, of Franklin, L. T. Williams of Hendersonville, M. M. Brittain, of Mills River, G. R. McPherson of Morrison, A. T. Summey, of Southside, R. H. Young, of Swannanoa, W. H. Lancette of Waynesville, B. R. Fakes, of Asheville.

A quorum being found present, organization was effected by the election of Rev. J. B. Cochrane as

Organization

Moderator and Rev. J. T. Wade as Temporary Clerk.

Committee of Arrangements made a partial report which was received and approved.

Presbytery then adjourned with prayer to 10 A.M. tomorrow.

April 28, 10 A.M.

After a half hour spent in devotional exercises, conducted by the Moderator, Presbytery resumed the transaction of business.

Minutes Approved

Minutes of last night's session were read and approved.

Historical Sketch.

On motion the Stated Clerk was directed to prepare a brief historical statement of the erection of the Presbytery of Asheville to be entered as an introduction to the Record.

The following Committees were appointed:-

Committees

Bills and Overtures:-

A. T. Summey, W. H. Lancette, A. J. Osborne.

Judicial:-

H. M. Parker, M. J. Orr, B. R. Fakes.

Narratives:-

R. F. Campbell, D.D. R. H. Young.

Leave of Absence:-

N. P. Rankin, G. R. McPherson.

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Committees Cont.

R. W. Alexander, E. L. Slagle, L. T. Williams.

Sessional Records:-

W. H. Faucette, J. L. Wicker.

Records of Presbytery:-

H. M. Parker, J. E. Mackey.

Auditing:-

A. M. Fry, W. L. De Witt.

Andrews Church.

A petition for the organization of a church at Andrews was received and referred to Committee on Bills and Overtures.

A letter from Rev. J. S. Morrow requesting permission to labor without the bounds of Presbytery was read and leave granted.

A communication from Albemarle Presbytery was received and read as follows:-

Letter from Albemarle Pbty.

"Wilson, N. C. April 26. 1897.

To the Moderator of the Presbytery of Asheville in session at Waynesville, N. C.

Dear Brother,

I am instructed by the Presbytery of Albemarle which has just closed its meeting in Wilson, N. C. to tender to you and through you to the Presbytery of Asheville the Christian salutation and congratulations of the Presbytery of Albemarle, until now the youngest member of the Synod of North Carolina.

Waynesville, April 1897.

We extend a cordial welcome to you - the latest corner into the noble sisterhood of Presbyterians in this Commonwealth, and we pray that the favor and blessing of the Tri-Une God may rest upon you and your work in the mountain regions, as we believe they have been and are resting upon us by the sea-shore, until, from ocean to summit of the Alleghanies, the blue banner of our cherished faith and order shall wave over multiplying Churches and a redeemed host praising God for what He hath wrought.

With assurances of the highest Christian and fraternal regard, and with best wishes for your success,

Yours Cordially in behalf of Presbytery,

F. H. Johnston, Stated Clerk."

Referred to Moderator to be answered.

Hiwassee changed to Hayesville.

Session of Hiwassee Church requested that the name be changed from Hiwassee to Hayesville. Request on motion granted.

Com. to install J. B. Cochrane cont'd

Committee to install Rev. J. B. Cochrane as pastor over Murphy and Hayesville Churches was on motion continued.

Presbytery then took recess until 2.30 this afternoon.

Second Session.

2.30, P. M.

Presbytery reassembled and resumed consideration of business.

Ruling Elders A. M. Fry of Bryson City Church and W. L. DeWitt of Dillsboro Church appeared, were excused for tardiness and enrolled.

It was made the order for this evening to hear the report of the Executive Committee on Home Missions.

Place of next Meeting.

Bryson City was chosen as the place of next meeting and Rev. R. W. Alexander and A. M. Fry were appointed to select the time.

Celebration of 250th Anniversary.

Rev. R. W. Alexander and Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D. were appointed to arrange a programme for the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the adoption of the Westminster Standards.

Commissioners to Gen. Assem.

Rev. H. M. Parker and Ruling Elder E. L. Slagle were elected principal and Rev. J. B. Cochrane and Ruling Elder, W. A. Blair alternate Commissioners to General Assembly.

Report on Education

Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D. presented the report of Executive Committee on Education which was received, taken up seriatim and adopted as follows:-

I. Ministerial Education. — The Presbytery has one candidate for the ministry, Mr. W. W. Williams, of Mills River Church, who is just completing his second year of study at the

Louisville Theological Seminary. He has been aided by an appropriation of $60.00 from the Educational Fund of the Presbytery.

Report on Education Continued.

The Committee would make the following recommendations:

1. That the appropriation of $60.00 be continued for Mr. Williams (or so much of it as may be needed).

2. That Presbytery instruct the pastors of all our churches to impress upon the people the great importance of prayer to the Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers into his harvest and the great privilege of dedicating their own sons to the ministry of the Gospel.

II. General Education. — The Committee, feeling the great importance of general education, and the leavening of such education with religious influences, would recommend:-

1. That the pastors and sessions of our churches consider earnestly the question of the immediate establishment of parochial schools, and that reports as to progress in this direction be called for at the fall meeting of Presbytery.

2. That the Presbytery heartily commend to the interest and patronage of our people the schools at Asheville, Riceville, Brittain's Cove, and Hot

Second Session.

Report on Education Continued.

Springs, under the auspices of Home Mission Board of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.

3. That the Presbytery has learned with pleasure of the establishment of a Home School by Rev. E. A. Sample and daughters at Hendersonville and would call the attention of our people to this opportunity of securing an education for their daughters at economical rates.

Recess was taken until 8 P. M.

8 P. M.

Presbytery reassembled and resumed the transaction of business.

Report of Executive Committee on Home Missions was made by Chairman R. F. Campbell, D.D. After addresses pertaining to the subject had been made by Rev. J. T. Wade, Rev. J. L. Wicker and Rev. J. B. Cochrane, the report was taken up seriatim and recommendations adopted as follows:-

Report on Home Missions.

1. That the following apportionments be made among the Churches for the various causes embraced in our scheme of systematic beneficence:—

Apportionments.

Churches.	Education.	Presbyterial Home Missions.	Church Erection	Publication.	Colored Evang. Fund.	Invalid Fund.	Synodical Home Missions	Presbyterial Fund.
Asheville 1st	100	450	100	35	50	50	150	35
Bethel	5	15	2	2	2	2	6	1
Brevard	5	25	3	2	4	4	10	3
Bryson City	4	10	2	2	5	6	4	3
Centre	2	2	1	1	1	2	1	1
Davidson River	5	25	3	4	5	6	10	5
Dillsboro'	2	5	1	1	1	2	2	1
Franklin	5	10	2	2	2	4	4	2
Hendersonville	10	20	5	4	5	6	8	5
Hayesville	2	5	1	1	1	2	2	1
Midway	1	5	1	1	1	2	2	1
Mills River	10	30	7	5	5	6	12	6
Morrison	6	8	2	1	1	2	3	2
Oak Forrest	2	10	2	2	1	2	4	2
Southside	3	10	2	2	1	2	4	1
Swannanoa	10	10	2	3	4	4	4	4
Waynesville	5	40	8	4	5	4	10	5
Murphy	1	5	1	1	1	1	1	1
Highlands	2	10	2	1	2	10	10	

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2. We recommend the following appropriations to Mission Fields to aid in support of their pastors:-

Murphy, Hayesville, Dillsboro - - - - $300.00
Franklin, Morrison, Centre, Highlands - $150.00
Waynesville, Bethel - - - - - - - - - $150.00
Midway - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $50.00

Report on Home Missions Continued.

3. We recommend that the pastors and representatives of Churches receiving aid from the Home Mission fund be instructed to urge upon their Churches or groups of Churches the importance of attaining to self-support as soon as possible in order that the funds of the Committee may be used for opening new fields and sending more men into the work.

4. We recommend that $200.00 be appropriated to aid the Dillsboro Church in the erection of a building and at the close of this service a collection be taken for this cause.

5. That discretionary power be given the Home Mission Committee to secure the services of candidates for the ministry to labor during the summer months under the supervision of the pastors.

Rev. R. W. Alexander was substituted for Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D. as Chairman of the

Committee on Narrative.

Presbytery was then adjourned with prayer until 10 a.m. tomorrow.

April 29, 10 A.M.

After a half-hour spent in devotional exercises, Presbytery resumed business.

Minutes of yesterday's session were read, corrected and approved.

Time of Next Meeting

Rev. R. W. Alexander and A. M. Fry, committee to suggest time for next meeting, reported recommending the Thursday before the third Sabbath in September (14th), at 8 P.M. Adopted.

Report on Records.

The Committee on Minutes of Presbytery reported as follows:

The Committee on Presbyterial Records would report that, until the Minutes have been finally transcribed, it cannot report as to their being a true copy of the original Minutes as approved by Presbytery." The report was adopted and Committee discharged.

Report of Auditing Comm.

The Auditing Committee, to whom had been referred Treasurer's Report, reported that they had examined Treasurer's books and vouchers and found them correct

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The report was adopted.

Report on Bills and Overtures

Committee on Bills and Overtures reported as follows:-

"Your Committee would respectfully report that there were only two papers before them - those in reference to the organization of a Church at Andrews, Cherokee Co.

We recommend the appointment of a Commission consisting of Rev. H. M. Parker, Rev. J. B. Cochrane and Rev. R. W. Alexander, with Ruling-Elders, D. M. Killian and A. T. Summey, who shall all, or any two of them, visit the field and, if the way be clear, organize a Church at that point and report their action to the next meeting of Presbytery." Adopted.

Organization of Churches at Boylston and Little River

The Executive Committee made the following report with regard to the organization of Churches at Boylston and Little River:-

"In view of the fact that a request has come from certain persons at Boylston and Little River to be organized into Churches, the Executive Committee would recommend that a Commission consisting of Rev. R. H. Campbell, D. D., Rev. E. A. Sample, Rev. J. L. Wicker, and Ruling-Elders, T. S. Boswell and W. A. Blair, be appointed to visit those places and

organize the proposed Churches if the way be clear." Adopted.

Presbytery here took recess until 2.30 P.M.

2.30 P. M.

Presbytery reassembled and resumed the despatch of business.

The Report on Foreign Missions and addresses thereon were made the special order for 8 P. M.

Report on Narrative

Committee on Narrative made their Report which was approved and ordered to be forwarded to General Assembly.

Stated Clerk was directed to write to Rev. D. S. Towles a letter conveying expressions of the sympathy and the prayers of Presbytery for him in his weak state of health.

Report on Sessional Records.

Committee on Sessional Records reported as follows:-

"Your Committee on Sessional Records beg leave to report that we have examined the Records of the following Churches - Asheville, Davidson River, Hayesville, Franklin, Murphy, Southside, Morrison, Bryson City, Dillsboro, Hendersonville, Midway, Oak Forrest, Waynesville and Swannanoa,

and found them correct. They recommend their approval as written." - Adopted

History of Churches.

On motion the Stated Clerk was requested to write to all pastors or clerks of session to prepare a history of their respective churches from their organization as far as possible when it has not already been done, and that in the future such historical sketches be kept up as far as possible and that the same be written in the Record books.

Report on Minutes of Synod.

Committee on Minutes of Synod reported as follows:-

"Committee would call attention to records on page 26, sections 1 and 2 and recommend that pastors and sessions make strenuous efforts to raise the amount asked by Synod for this great work (Synodical Home Missions)."

Adopted.

Non-Reporting Churches.

On motion the Stated Clerk was instructed to write to the sessions of all the churches that have failed to send in their reports, emphasizing the importance of prompt attention to this matter and informing them that hereafter any session failing to forward its reports to the Stated Clerk at least ten days before the meeting of Presbytery will render itself liable to censure.

Committee on Leave of Absence made their report

which was on motion approved.

Judiciary Com.

Judiciary Committee reported that no business had come before them.

Time of Meeting Changed.

The appointment of time for next meeting was on motion reconsidered and changed from Thursday to Tuesday.

Report on Foreign Missions.

The Executive Committee made its Report on Foreign Missions which was received, considered seriatim and recommendations adopted as follows:-

1. That an effort shall be made to put our missionary in every family, even if a part of our missionary contributions should have to be expended for this purpose.

2. That the pastors and sessions of the Churches be requested to form Missionary Societies on the model recommended by Assembly's Foreign Missionary Committee. Win the mothers, and you have won the children; win the children, and in ten years you have won the nation.

3. That the Executive Committee be requested to arrange with our Foreign Missionaries, as they have opportunity to present this cause to our various Churches.

Report of Agent of Sabbath Schools was

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S.S. Report. received, approved, and ordered sent up to the General Assembly.

On motion it was resolved:—

That the thanks of this Presbytery are returned and the same are hereby cordially extended to this Church and the citizens of the town of Waynesville for the generous hospitality extended this body during its sessions, and that the pastor of the church announce this action from the pulpit next Sabbath.

Thanks.

Minutes of today's sessions were read, corrected and approved.

Presbytery was then adjourned with prayer, praise and benediction, to meet at the time and place before appointed.

Adjournment.

E. A. Sample S.C

J. T. Wade
Temporary Clerk.

Synod of North Carolina

Examined and Approved.

Salisbury N.C. November 4th 1897.

J. R. Shearer
Moderator.

Third Session Sept. 14, 1897

Bryson City, N.C.

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Presbytery was then constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

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were invited to sit as corresponding members.

Presbytery adjourned with prayer until 10 A.M. tomorrow.

Sept. 15, 10 A.M.

After half hour spent in devotional ex. Presbytery resumed business. Minutes of last night's session read and approved.

Report of Com on Devotional Ex.

Committee on devotional exercises made partial report which was adopted.

Revs. E.A. Sample and R. H. Alexander and elder H.C. Connell of Hendersonville ch. appeared and were enrolled.

Rev. J. H. Law, D.D. of Enoree Presbytery was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Minutes of last meeting read and adopted.

Committee of Arrangements made report. app.

Committees appointed

The following committees were appointed:

Judiciary:- Rev. J.B. Cochrane and elder E.L. Slagle.

Auditing:- Elders A. M. Fry and L.C. Neel.

Bills & Overtures:- Rev. A. F. Campbell & elder H. A. Blair.

Leave of Absence:- Rev. J. T. Wade & Elder H. L. DeWitt.

Rev. Morrow dismissed

Rev. J. S. Morrow was dismissed to Pres. of Athens.

Made first order for this P.M. to hear Rev. J. H. Law, D.D. on the American Bible Society.

Rev. D. Hyde of Baptist ch. was invited to sit as a visiting bro. Pres. took recess till 3. P.M.

3. P.M.

Presbytery reassembled and resumed business.

Call from Hville for Rev. Caldwell

A call from Hendersonville ch. for services of Rev. S.C. Caldwell of Tallahassee, Fla. for one half his time at a salary of $350 and use of manse was received and placed on docket.

Request for Rev. H. M. Parker

Oak Forest ch. requested that Rev. H. M. Parker be permitted to serve them another year as Stated Supply. request was granted.

Overture from Swannanoah ch. was read and referred to Committee on Bills & Overtures.

Ch. organized at Andrews

The committee appt. to organize a church at Andrews reported as follows: The committee appt. by Presbytery to organize a church at Andrews met at 10 A.M. July 30, 1897 in M.E. Ch. of Andrews. Revs. H. M. Parker and J.B. Cochrane being present the committee was called to order by Rev. H. M. Parker, and was opened with prayer by Rev. R. P. Smith of Mecklenburg Presbytery. After a sermon by Rev. H. M. Parker the Commission received letters from

List of Members

Jas. A. and Mrs. Ida A. Slagle of Hayesville ch.

T.M. and Mrs. Kate Richardson of Andrews M.E. ch.

S.B. and Mrs. Marsh, Callie G. Marsh of Peaville, M.E. ch.

Jas. A. Slagle and Jas. M. Richardson were elected Ruling Elders and installed over the Andrews Church. (They had previously been ordained,

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A charge, by request of commission, was made to the officers and the ch. by Rev. R. P. Smith. After singing, prayer, and benediction commission adjourned.

H. M. Parker, Mod.
J. B. Cochrane, Clk.

Commissioners to General Assembly

Commissioners — Rev. H. M. Parker and Elder E. L. Slagle made reports which were received, and they were commended for their diligence.

Rev. T. H. Law, D.D. delivered an address on the American Bible Society after which Rev. H. M. Parker, agent for Bible Cause, made following report. "In view of the great and glorious work of this most venerable society and of its diminished resources and ever-widening field that Presbytery regrets that only one of her churches last year contributed to this cause, and would urge our pastors and sessions to see that the order of General Assembly be obeyed, to take up a collection in Oct. for this cause. And that our Sabbath schools avail themselves of the offer of the society to furnish to the schools Bibles at half price, for scholars who can read and have no Bibles."

Report on Bible Cause — Rev. Parker

Committee to install Rev. J. B. Cochrane

Committee to install Rev. J. B. Cochrane at Murphy and Hayesville reported that the duty

had been performed — Committee discharged.

Committee to get up a set of rules for sessions in regard to proper matter for record reported as follows:

Rules for sessional work — Sample chart

1. The time and place, names of members present, and of the moderator should be recorded.

2. Things done are to be recorded: but things acted and rejected, such as reports or statements made but not acted on by session are not proper matter for record.

3. Baptisms, congregational, and protracted meetings are not things done by sessions, and ought not to be recorded do acts of sessions, but all such historical matter should be recorded by clerk in appendix — the Register should show how members are received, birth of children date of Baptisms and names of parents.

4. All reports to Presbytery adopted by session ought to be recorded as proceedings of session; the election of representatives to Presbytery and Synod and their being called on to report at a subsequent meeting should be recorded; and the minutes should show that they have been approved by session before they are sent up to Presbytery.

5. Orders for Congregational meetings

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and things done at such meetings, on which session acts, the election, ordination, and installation of officers should be recorded; in general, all things to be recorded which show the orderly and lawful nature of meeting all that session does and no more; and no exceptions to this general rule will be allowed. See Form of Government Ch. V Sec. 3 pars. 5, 6, 7, 8.

Adopted. E. A. Sample com.

Committee on Historical Statement — Sample

Committee on Historical Statement made report and following paper adopted by Rev.: "Resolved that the Historical sketch of the Presbytery prepared by Stated Clerk as an introduction to the minutes be approved, and that the thanks of this body be tendered to him for the satisfactory way in which this work has been done."

Commission to organize church at Little River — Boilston

Commission to organize church at Boilston and Little River reported that having received no notice from Rev. J. L. Hicks that the time had come for the commission to act nothing had been done, and the commission was continued.

Granting Evangelistic Power

Motion to grant Evangelistic power to all ministers in Presbytery of Asheville was referred to committee on Bills and Overtures.

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Report on Education

Executive Committee made report recommending that Presbytery appropriate the sum of $60 out of the Educational fund to aid Candidate A. A. Williams in the prosecution of his studies — adopted.

Place of next meeting

Mills River was chosen as place for next regular meeting of Presbytery, and Rev. J. L. Hicks and Elder M. M. Bottles were appt. to select time.

Presbytery took recess until 8 P.M.

8 P.M.

Presbytery reassembled and resumed business.

Report on H. Missions

Executive Committee made their report on Home Missions, which was received, and after addresses by Revs. J. L. Hicks, R. P. Smith and Wm Black, was taken up seriatim.

Recommendations: 1. That the Presbytery express its high appreciation of the labors of Rev. R. P. Smith, and that Mecklenburg Presbytery be asked to join with us in employing him as Evangelist for another year with the following modifications of the present arrangement:

(1) That the Presbytery of Asheville, in view of its large Missionary territory, have at least one-half of

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Bro. Smith's time. (2) That in dividing his time between the two Presbyteries Bro. Smith be not hampered by hard and fast lines, but that he be allowed to arrange times and seasons according to the exigencies of the work, after consultation with the chairman of the Home Mission Committee of the respective Pres.

2. That the Presbytery express its high appreciation of the labors of Rev. A. M. Black, the Synodical Evangelist, and that Synod be asked to give us as much of Bro. Black's time as is possible in justice to the Home Mission work in other Presbyteries.

3. That the following groupings and appropriations be made:

(1) Franklin, Centre, and Morrison appropriation $300.
(2) Hendersonville, Mills River & Mills River self supporting
(3) Brevard and Davidson River self supporting.
(4) Dillsboro and Bryson City appropriation $350
(5) Highlands appropriation $200.
(6) Murphy, Hayesville & Andrews appropriation $325.
(7) Swannanoah appropriation $250.
(8) Haywood and Bethel self supporting.

R. F. Campbell, chairman

Adopted.

Presbytery adjourned with prayer till tomorrow at 10 A. M.

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Sept 16, 10 A. M.

After devotional exercises Pres. resumed business. Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Report of Committee on Bills & Overtures.

Committee on Bills and Overtures made following report:- "Two papers have been referred to this Committee: (1) The Overture from the officers and congregation of Swannanoah ch., asking for a dissolution of the official relation between the officers and the church; (2) The resolution that Evangelistic powers be granted to all ministers of Asheville Presbytery, to receive members and enroll them in the nearest church.

Overture from Swannanoa ch.

(1) The Committee would recommend that the Overture from Swannanoah be granted, and that a congregational meeting be called by the Presbytery to meet on Sunday, Sept 26, 4 P. M., to elect Ruling Elders and Deacons.

Calling for Evangelistic Powers.

(2) To the resolution calling for the granting of Evangelistic powers to all Ministers of Presbytery the Committee recommend following answer: (a) The Presbytery will consider and act upon the application of any minister for such powers, but cannot see its way clear to confer Evangelistic powers indiscriminately, and apart from the circumstances of the particular case.

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(8) When an Evangelist in virtue of the power bestowed upon him by the Presbytery, receives into the church applicants for membership, who purpose identifying themselves with some adjoining church, or forming a new church organization themselves, a careful list of the persons so received is to be kept by the Evangelist, and members received in this way are directly amenable to the Presbytery until such time as they shall be regularly transferred to the roll of some particular church."

Wanting Evangelistic Power.

On motion Rev. R. F. Campbell was appt. to moderate Congregational meeting at Swannanoa Sept 26.

Recess till 3 P.M.

3 P.M.

Presbytery reassembled and resumed the transaction of business.

The place of next meeting was reconsidered and Murphy was substituted for Mills River, and Rev. J. B. Cochrane and Elder A. Dan Morgan of the Murphy ch. were appointed a committee in place of Rev. J. L. Hiver and Elder M. M. Brittain, to select time.

Next meeting Murphy

Rev. J. T. Wade, agent on Sunday Schools, made report as follows: "I have no report to

Report on Schools

to make at this meeting, but feeling the great need of awakening a greater interest in the Sabbath School work, would submit the following recommendation — That Pres. appoint a committee to arrange for a convention to be held at the next Spring meeting on the day before Presbytery convenes."

Sunday School Convention.

On motion Revs. J. T. Wade and J. B. Cochrane were appt. on this committee.

The following parts of trial were assigned Candidate H. H. Williams:

Parts of Trial Candidate Williams

Sermon. Romans I: 16
Popular Lecture. Luke IX: 57-62
Exegesis (Greek). Romans X: 1-10
Latin Thesis. An sit post mortem probatio.

On motion Stated Clerk and Mod. were appt. as committee to appoint committees to examine candidates for licensure and ordination for the ministry.

Committee to examine Candidates

Auditing Committee reported as follows: "We the undersigned beg leave to report that we have examined the books, vouchers, expenditures and reports of the Treasurer, H. A. Blair, and find them correct."

Auditing Committee

Committee on Presbyterial Records reported

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that they had carefully examined the records of the Stated Clerk, and found the same correct, and would commend the Stated Clerk for the neatness and care taken in keeping them. A. T. Summey } Com.
D. M. Geiger }

Comm Pres. Records

Committee on Colportage

1. Committee on Colportage reported recommending 1st that Pres. call the attention of pastors and sessions to the importance of collection for Colportage — all money raised for this cause is expended by the committee in our mission fields, either in furnishing literature or sending out S. School Missionaries and Colporteurs. The General Assembly in Charlotte urged that no increase over contributions for this cause, so that a S. School Missionary may be placed in every Synod.

2. Presbytery would ask the committee in Richmond to send us one of their S. S. Missionaries as soon as possible to organize Sunday Schools in our vacant places.

Com. on Colored work

The committee on Colored Evangelization recommended: — 1st That the attention of the churches be called to the needs of

Stillman Institute for the training of colored men for the Gospel Ministry, and of the Synod's Academic and Industrial Institute at North Wilkesboro, and also to the General Assembly's work for the colored people. 2nd That pastors and sessions see to it that the collection for this cause be taken in Dec. 3rd That the contributions be divided equally between the Assembly's and the Synod's work.

Colored Schools

On motion a committee, of which Stated Clerk shall be chairman, was appt. to prepare a Manual for the Presbytery.

Committee to prepare Manual

Committee on leave of absence reported that D. M. Geiger, A. T. Summey, and W. T. Dewitt had been granted leave of absence after last night's session.

Comm. on Leave of absence

On motion Presbytery granted Evangelistic powers to Revs. J. L. Hicker, J. T. Wade, and J. B. Cochrane, the latter confined to Graham, Cherokee, and Clay Counties.

Granting Evangelistic Powers

Rev. J. B. Cochrane was requested to visit Blairsville and Frock Rock Ch. and confer with them as to being grouped with some of our churches, and that his expenses be paid by Presbytery.

Rev. Cochrane to visit Ga.

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Time for meeting of Pres.

Rev. J. B. Cochrane recommended that Presbytery meet on first Tuesday (3rd) May 7-30 P.M.

Com. of arrangements

Rev. J. B. Cochrane and Elder A. Dougtown were appt. a committee of arrangements and devotional exercises.

Rev. E. A. Sample was instructed to accept for the Presbytery the offer of land and money for the building of a Pres. church at Round Top school house, as soon as Mr. Lane is ready to make a deed; and he be requested to visit the field and report to the Home Mission Com. as to what can be raised in the field for building, and that the Home Mission Com. be authorized to act in the premises.

Amnd Rep Mission

Recess was taken until 8 P.M.

8. P.M.

Report on Foreign Missions

Rev. H. M. Parker made a report on Foreign Missions which was received, and Revs. J. S. Wade, E. A. Sample, and H. E. M. Thomas made addresses. A collection of $4.50 was taken.

The following paper was adopted by a rising vote: That the thanks of Presbytery

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Vote of Thanks

are hereby extended to the people of Bryson City for their bountiful hospitality and the blessing of Heaven is invoked upon these homes in which we have been so cordially entertained.

Minutes of today's session were read, corrected and approved.

Presbytery was then adjourned with prayer, praise, and benediction to meet at the time and place before appointed.

E. A. Sample S.C.

D. M. Killian
Temporary Clerk

Call Meeting

Call meeting of Presbytery Hendersonville

Presbytery met pursuant to the call of the Mod. Rev. J. L. Nicker, with the Hendersonville Pres. church on Friday Nov. 26th 1897 at 10 A.M. and was constituted with prayer by the Mod.

The roll was called and the following were found present:

Organization of Presbytery

Ministers —
R. F. Campbell, D.D., H. M. Parker, E. A. Sampey, J. L. Nicker.

Elders —
Jasper Ara from Brevard Church,
W. E. Jordan from Midway church,
L. T. Williams from Hendersonville ch.

A quorum being present, Rev. H. M. Parker was elected temporary clerk.

Stated Clerk read the call which is as follows —

Call meeting at Hdvlle

"Brevard, N.C.
Nov. 12, 1897

The requirements of the Book of church order Chap. IV. Par. 79 having been complied with I hereby call a meeting of the Presbytery of Asheville to be held in the Pres. Ch. Hendersonville on Fri. Nov. 26th, 10 A.M., to transact the

following business if may be clear

1. To receive and ordain Licentiate E. MacDavis of Presbytery of Knoxville

Business of Presbytery

2. To receive Rev. S. C. Caldwell of the Presbytery of Florida, and take order for his installation as pastor of the Hendersonville church.

3. To act on calls from Mills River and Midway churches for the services of Rev. J. L. Nicker.

4. To consider and act upon applications of pastors for Evangelistic powers in receiving members.

5. To consider and act upon petition for the organization of a church at Barnardsville.

J. L. Nicker, Mod."

Reception of Rev. Caldwell

Rev. S. C. Caldwell, after the usual examination, was received from the Presbytery of Florida, & his name enrolled.

E. MacDavis revived

Licentiate E. MacDavis was received from Presbytery of Knoxville, and order taken for his ordination this P.M. at 4 o'clock, if may be clear.

The Mod. to prepare and constitutional

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question and Rev. S. C. Caldwell to deliver the charge.

Examination E. McDavis

Presbytery proceeded to the examination of Candidate Davis on Theology, which was sustained. After 5 minutes recess Pres. heard a sermon from Bro. Davis — text I Cor. 1: 23, 24, which was approved.

Call from Mills River & Midway for Rev. Vicker

Calls from Mills River and Midway Churches for the services of Rev. J. L. Vicker not being in hands of Presbytery this item of business was passed over.

Evangelistic Committee

Evangelistic powers were granted to Revs. H. M. Parker & E. A. Sample.

Call of Hendersonville ch. for Rev. Caldwell

Calls from Hendersonville ch. for services of Rev. S. C. Caldwell for all his time at a salary of $600. and use of manse, with the one taken from the docket for half his time were placed in his hands. The James being accepted by him the following commission was appointed to install him next Sun. at 7 P.M. Revs. R. F. Campbell, D.D., H. M. Parker, E. A. Sample and elder J. S. Boswell of the Brevard church.

Commission to install Caldwell

R. F. Campbell to preach, preside and propound constitutional questions — Rev. H. M. Parker to charge pastor — Rev. E. A. Sample to charge people.

Petition to organize ch. Barnardsville

A petition for organization of a church at Barnardsville was received and placed on docket.

Revs. R. F. Campbell and S. C. Caldwell were appointed to examine E. MacDavis on languages.

Presbytery took recess till 3 P.M.

3. P. M.

Presbytery reassembled and resumed business.

Com. report on examination of E. MacDavis

The committee appointed to examine Licentiate E. MacDavis reported that they had examined him on Philosophy, the Greek and Hebrew languages, and recommend that the examination be sustained. This was granted. He was then examined on Ecclesiastical history, sacraments, and church government, all of which were satisfactory. Examination as a whole was sustained.

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and Presbytery proceeded to ordain him as an Evangelist (B.Ch. order Sect. ch. 6 P. 119)

Comm. to organize Ch. at Barnardsville

Petition for organization of a church at Barnardsville was taken from docket, and Revs. H. M. Packer and J. MacDavis, and Elder W. A. Blair of 1st Ch. Asheville, were appointed a commission to organize a church at or near Barnardsville at such time as commission may think best.

Minutes read and approved.

Adjournment

Presbytery was then adjourned with the usual service, to meet at Murphy 1st Tuesday of May (3) at 7:30 P.M.

H. M. Packer Temporary Clk.

E. A. Sample S.C.

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Murphy N. C.

The Presbytery of Asheville met pursuant to adjournment in the Presbyterian Church at 7:30 P.M., and after a sermon by Rev. A. Walker White from I Cor. 1:30-31 was called to order by Mod. J. L. Hicker and constituted with prayer by Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D.

The roll was called and the following were enrolled as present:

Ministers — E. A. Sample, J. T. Wade, R. F. Campbell, J. L. Hicker, J. B. Cochran, S. C. Caldwell, J. MacDavis — 7.

Elders — N. S. Terrell of Bethel Church; M. J. Orr of Berard; E. L. Slagle of Center; J. A. Mackay of Davidson River; L. E. Brittain of Mills River; J. B. Shipe of Southside; H. L. McFalyn of Waynesville; B. M. Lee of Asheville; J. H. Dillard of Murphy; N. C. Jordan of Hiddway; J. M. Richardson of Andrews — 11.

A quorum being present, the Presbytery was organized by the election of J. T. Wade as Moderator, and S. C. Caldwell as temp. Clk.

On motion, J. B. Cochran and J. H. Dillard of Murphy church were appointed a Committee

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on Devotional Exercises.

Reception of Rev. A. Walker White

On motion Rev. A. Walker White, after due examination by the Moderator, was received by letter of dismissal from the Presbytery of Western Texas.

Rev. T. Bright, of the Baptist Church, was invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Report of Com. on Devotional exercises

The Committee on Devotional Exercises reported, recommending the following order, which was adopted:

Morning sessions to begin at 9 o'clock.
Intermission for preaching service 11 A.M.
Afternoon sessions to begin at 2:30 o'clock.
Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Popular meeting on home missions.
Thursday 7:30 P.M. Popular meeting on Foreign missions.

The Presbytery then adjourned with prayer until 9 A.M.

S. C. Caldwell Tem. Clk.

Wednesday 9 A.M.

Presbytery met and after Devotional exercises conducted by the Moderator, resumed discussion of business.

Reading Minutes

Minutes of last night's session were read and approved.

Records of last meeting and called meeting of Nov. 26, 1897, at Hendersonville, were read & approved.

On motion Rev. H. R. Overcash, after due examination, was received from the Presbytery of Roanoke, and enrolled.

Appointment of Committees

The following committees were announced by the Moderator:

Narrative to General Assembly. Rev. H. R. Overcash, H. L. Terrell.
Systematic Beneficence — Rev. A. Walker White, E. L. Slagle.
Minutes of Synod — Rev. J. L. Stokes, M. J. Orr.
Judicial Committee — Rev. E. MacDonald, J. A. Mackay.
Bills & Overtures — J. M. Richardson, J. B. Shope.
Devotional Exercises — Rev. J. B. Cochran, J. H. Dillard.
Sessional Records — Rev. J. B. Cochran, Dr. H. McFadyen.
Presbyterial Records — B. M. Lee, L. E. Brittain.
Auditing Committee — J. B. Shope, H. C. Jordan.
Leave of Absence — H. R. Overcash, J. H. Dillard.
Committee on Report and Records of Executive Committee — Rev. E. MacDonald, Rev. E. A. Sample, H. L. Terrell.
Com. on Calls — Rev. S. C. Caldwell, H. C. Jordan.

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Dissolution of Pastoral Relation between Southside Ch. & Rev. Parker.

At the request of the pastor, the Church concurring, the pastoral relation between Rev. H. M. Parker and Southside church was dissolved and Rev. H. M. Parker was dismissed to unite with the Presbytery of Wheeling.

Petition Rev. Alexander & Waynesville

A communication of Rev. R. W. Alexander, requesting a dissolution of his pastoral relation to Waynesville church and his dismissal to the Presbytery of Fayetteville, was received, and on motion the church was cited to appear before an adjourned meeting of the Presbytery to be held in the study of the First Ch. Asheville on Monday, May 16, at 2 o'clock P. M. to show cause, if any there be, why the pastoral relation should not be dissolved, and the whole matter was referred to that adjourned meeting.

Candidate W. H. Williams dismissed

The request of Candidate W. H. Williams, to be dismissed to the Presbytery of Paducah was granted, and the Stated Clerk ordered to give him a dismissal.

Recess until 2-30 P. M.

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The Presbytery was called to order by the Moderator, and discussion of business resumed.

Com. on Manual

Rev. E. A. Sample, committee to prepare a manual of the Presbytery, reported progress, and asked that a committee consisting of Rev. L. C. Caldwell, Rev. R. T. Campbell, D.D. and W. A. Blair be appointed to act with him in completing the work. On motion, request granted & com. appt.

Report on Education

The committee on Education made a report which was received and adopted.

Entire Committee's Report on Education.

1. Education for the Gospel Ministry.

Candidate for Ministry

The Presbytery of Asheville has under its care one candidate for the ministry, M. H. H. Williams of Mills River church, who completes his course at the Louisville Theological Seminary this month. Mr. Williams has received aid from Presbytery to the amount of $60.

The Faculty report that his general deportment has been excellent and his diligence in study commendable.

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Collections to be taken for Ministerial Education.

The committee recommend that all the churches be urged to take at least one collection during the year for ministerial education, and that the treasurer of the Presbytery be directed to send any money that may be left in the treasury for this cause, after paying appropriations to our own candidates, to the General Assembly's Committee of Education.

General Education.

II. General Education

A day school has been maintained at Brandon. The salary of the teacher being paid in part by the Women's Missionary Society of the First Church, Asheville.

The School at Davidson River, under the care of that church, has been taught for six months of the year.

The home school for young ladies in the family of Rev. E. A. Sample, has also been successfully maintained.

Recommendations.

The committee recommend (1) that the Presbytery urge pastors and sessions to establish schools wherever possible under care of the church, in which the children shall be instructed in the Scriptures and Catechisms of the church

as well as in secular studies.

(2) That this Presbytery go into co-operation with the Synod in the cause of Church and Christian Education, and that a collection for this cause be taken in the month of April.

R. F. Campbell, Chairman

Report of collection of Rev. Caldwell

Commission to install Rev. S. C. Caldwell at Hendersonville made report which was received and adopted as follows:

The committee appointed to install Rev. S. C. Caldwell met in the Presbyterian church at Hendersonville, Nov. 26, at 7 P.M. Present, Revs. R. F. Campbell, D.D. and E. A. Sample. After a sermon by Dr. Campbell from 1 Cor. 12:27, the commission was organized by electing Rev. E. A. Sample clerk. Rev. R. F. Campbell presided, propounded the constitutional questions and charged the pastor. Rev. E. A. Sample charged the people. The commission adjourned by singing, prayer and benediction.

R. F. Campbell
E. A. Sample

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Dissolution of Pastoral Relations

On motion of Rev. J. B. Cochran the following resolution was adopted:

The Presbytery call the attention of our churches and pastors to the fact that we have a presbyterial and not a congregational form of church government — that the Presbytery makes and dissolves pastoral relations, after hearing the wills of both parties, according to its judgment of what is best and that it is unconstitutional for a minister to resign his work and leave its bounds and undertake work elsewhere, or for a church to dismiss its pastor without the action of the Presbytery, and that such conduct will be liable to censure in the future from this Presbytery.

Committee to examine candidates

Rev. E. A. Sample, to whom had been committed the nomination of the Examination Committee, made the following report:

The Committee to appoint Different Committees to Examine Candidates named report the following:

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To examine on experimental religion and motives for seeking the gospel ministry — The Moderator.

On language, Latin, exegesis and critical exercise — Revs. R. Campbell, J. T. Hale.

On arts and sciences — Revs. S. C. Caldwell, E. Mundin.

On ecclesiastical history and church government — Revs. R. Walker White, E. A. Sample, J. T. Fowler.

On Theology and the Sacraments — Revs. J. B. Cochran, H. R. Arbreach, J. L. Hicker.

And elders to be added at each meeting of the Presbytery.

E. A. Sample,
J. L. Hicker
Committee.

Adopted and committee appointed as suggested.

Comm. to organize Ch. Boulton

Rev. J. L. Hicker made a verbal report on the proposed Church at Boulton and the commission to organize it was on motion, continued and given further time.

Barnardsville.

The Commission to organize a Church at or near Barnardsville made a verbal report, and on motion was continued

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and given further time. Rev. H. B. Overcash was appointed a member of the commission, vice Rev. H. M. Parker, dismissed.

Overture from Erie assembly

On motion the Stated Clerk was instructed to make a report to the General Assembly that in reference to the adoption of the proposed amendments to the Book of Church Order, sent down to the Presbyteries for action, the Presbytery of Asheville votes "Yes."

Election of Commissioners to Gen'l Ass.

Rev. J. L. Hicker and Ruling Elder W. H. Garrette, of Waynesville church, elected commissioners to the General Assembly. Rev. J. T. Wade and Ruling Elder M. J. Arp, of Brevard Church were elected alternates.

Trustee of Davidson College

Rev. E. A. Sample was elected trustee of Davidson College for a term of three years.

Place of next meeting Highlands

Highlands was selected as the place, and 7:30 P.M. of Thursday, Sept. 22, as the time for the fall meeting.

It was ordered that the Lord's Supper be celebrated in connection with divine service at 11 A.M. tomorrow.

Election of Executive Com.

The Committee on Nomination recommended that the old members of the Executive Committee be re-appointed and that Rev. L. L. Caldwell and the future pastor of Southside Church and J. B. Shope be added thereto.

The order taken this morning to cite Waynesville church to show cause, etc., was on motion re-considered.

Dissolution of Relation between Alexander and Waynesville

Evidence being presented that the Church had taken action and concurred in Rev. R. H. Alexander's request, on motion the pastoral relation between him and Waynesville church was dissolved.

The Stated Clerk was ordered to give a letter of dismissal to Fayetteville Presbytery to Rev. R. H. Alexander.

Recess taken till 7:30 P.M.

Wednesday 7:30 P.M.

The Presbytery met and was called to order by the Moderator. The special order of business which was the reception and consideration of the report on Home Missions, was taken up, after brief devotional exercises conducted by Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D., chairman of the Committee

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The report of the Committee was presented by the chairman, and on motion was received.

Executive Committee's Report on Home Missions.

Home Missions Continued

Report on Home Missions, made to the Presbytery of Asheville by the Executive Committee of the Presbytery for the Ecclesiastical Year Ending March 31, 1898.

Your Committee, in submitting their report for another year, would gratefully acknowledge, first of all, the good hand of God upon our workers, preserving their lives and health and blessing their labors.

The reports from the Churches and groups of Churches receiving aid are as follows:

Southside, Oak Forest, Canada.

1. Southside, Oak Forest, and Canada.

This field, while receiving no aid from the Presbytery's fund, has been helped by the First Church Asheville, by a supplement of $230 to the pastor's salary.

Rev. H. M. Parker served this field until March 1st when he removed to John and James Islands, S.C.

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Brother Parker preached about 195 times during the year "holding a week's meeting at several points, at which the attendance was usually crowded and the attention and interest manifested excellent."

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A school has been maintained at Canada under the charge of a godly woman, who has given attention to the religious training of the children as well as to their secular education.

There have been in this field seven additions to the church on profession of faith and six by letter.

Since Bro. Parker's removal Oak Forest and Canada have been supplied on the first and fifth Sundays by Rev. H. R. Arrecash.

Swannanoa

2. Swannanoa Church — Rev. H. R. Arrecash came to this field Jan. 1.

This church receives aid from Presbytery to the amount of $230.

There have been eight additions to the church on profession of faith.

Brother Arrecash writes "I am encour-

aged to think that I can see evidence of quickening in the spiritual life of some of our people."

This church owes its pastor $20.

Hendersonville 3. Hendersonville Church — This church has been served by Rev. S. C. Caldwell since Sept. 1st.

Brother Caldwell has been much hindered in his work by sickness and bereavement in his family.

There have been four additions on profession of faith and ten by letter.

A vigorous Young People's Society has been organized in this church since Brother Caldwell took charge.

Seventy-five copies of Dr. Robinson's "Songs of the Sanctuary" have been purchased for the use of the congregation, and the attendance has been good, even in bad weather.

There is nothing due on the pastor's salary, though this church has doubled its subscription this year.

This church receives $100 from Presbytery.

Murphy, Hayesville, Andrews 4. Murphy, Hayesville, and Andrews — Served by Rev. J. B. Cochran, who also

supplied Dillsboro till Nov. 14.

Brother Cochran preaches at five points, two in Cherokee county and three in Clay county.

There have been ten additions on profession of faith and twelve by letter.

A debt of $172, of nine years standing, has been lifted from the Hayesville ch.

Hayesville owes $37. on pastor's salary.

The church at Andrews was formally organized July 20, 1897, with seven members.

The frame of a church building has been erected on a lot donated by the Andrews Development Company, and the building will be pushed to completion as rapidly as possible.

The condition of this group of churches is, in the main very encouraging. The addition of a manse to the present equipment is much to be desired.

The Presbytery's appropriations to this field have been $325.

Madison County — 5. The Madison County Field — This field has been served by Rev. E. MacDavis since Sept. 1st and is under the care of the Synodical Committee of Home Missions

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Brother Davis preaches regularly at Big Pine and Shelton Laurel in Madison county, and at Barnardsville in Buncombe county.

He has, in addition, held services at least once at seventeen other points in Madison.

Five persons have been received on profession of faith at Barnardsville, from which point a request has been sent to the Presbytery for the organization of a church. We have no organization as yet in Madison county, but we are sure that the good seed sown by our faithful evangelist will not be without fruit.

Organization at Barnardsville

6. Bryson City and Dillsboro — These churches have been supplied since Nov. 1st by Rev. A. Walker White. Up to that date Dillsboro was served by Rev. J. B. Cochran, under whose leadership a Church building was erected at a cost of $883. every cent of which has been paid. This little church has raised over $1,000. during the year. There have been seven additions by profession of faith

Bryson City Dillsboro.

and three by letter.

Since Brother White took charge of the work a debt of $717, of long standing, has been lifted from the Bryson City ch. Of this $452 was contributed by members of the Bryson City church, $143 by the First Church, Asheville, and the balance of $122 was appropriated by the Executive Committee out of the Home Mission fund.

There has been one addition at Bryson City on profession of faith and three by letter. The pastor's salary has been paid promptly and in full at the end of each month by the Dillsboro and Bryson City chs.

The congregation at Dillsboro generally fills the building, and the number attending worship at Bryson City is increasing.

Altogether this field is in a very encouraging condition.

These churches receive aid from Presbytery to the amount of $350.

Highlands Mission

7. Highlands — There is no organized church at this point. The field is served by Rev. J. T. Wade, who preaches at four points, and has evangelistic power for the reception of members. Ten persons have

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been received on profession of faith and one by letter. During the series of services recently held in this field there have been about twenty professions of conversion.

The prayer-meeting, the Sunday School and the Christian Endeavor Society are in fine condition. The Presbytery aids this field to the amount of $80.00.

It is hoped that a church will soon be organized by the Presbytery at Highlands.

A balance of $67.75 is due on salary from this field.

Franklin, Morrison, & Centre

8. Franklin, Morrison and Centre Churches.

This field has been vacant since the fall meeting of the Presbytery, except for the last month, during which the churches have been served by Mr. L. H. Drury, a licentiate of the Mecklenburg Presbytery, under direction of the Executive Com.

Burnard, Davidson River, Mills River, and Midway

9. Burnard, Davidson River, Mills River and Midway.

These churches are served by Rev. J. L. Weaver, who preaches at six different points within the bounds of these congregations.

There have been sixty additions on profession of faith and six by letter.

This field has grown until the time has come when it would be desirable to divide the work, which has become too heavy for one man.

There is $165.00 due the pastor from this field.

Waynesville and Bethel

10. Waynesville and Bethel — These Churches have been served by Rev. A. St. Alexander, but are now vacant. They have received no aid from the Presbytery since last December.

There have been two additions on profession of faith and two by letter.

Summary

Summary —

Added on profession of faith	114
Added by letter	39
Amount expended by the Presbytery in supplementing pastors' salaries	$1,486.47
Expended by Synod	700.00
Total	$2,186.47
Contributions: Amount expended for church erection	1,722.00
Total	$3,908.47

Delinquent churches.

Churches delinquent on pastors salary —

Swannanoa	$20.00
Waynesville	37.00
Highlands	67.75

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Davidson River	$85.00	$162.00
Mills River	80.00	
	Total	$289.75

Committee's recommendations.

Recommendations—

1. Grantings and appropriations:
   (1) Swannanoa, Oak Forest, Grandin—$250.
   (2) Hendersonville—$150
   (3) Murphy, Hayesville, & Andrews $350.
   (4) Bryson City and Dillsboro $350.
   (5) Highlands—$200.
   (6) Franklin, Morrison and Centre $225.
2. That the churches receiving aid be informed that it will be the policy of this Presbytery in the future to reduce the amount of aid appropriated as rapidly as possible.
3. That the churches be urged to come up to their apportionments for the various benevolent causes; and that pastors and sessions be directed to see to it that collections be taken on every Sunday on which there is preaching.
4. That the treasurers of the churches be directed to send all moneys for benevolent causes to the treasurer of the Presbytery, Mr. W. A. Blair, Asheville, N. C.

Recommendations to Ch.

5. That an appropriation not to exceed $150, be made to furnish Rev. R. V. Smith, our evangelist, with a horse and buggy, and to enable him to employ a young man to assist him in his work.
6. That this committee, heretofore known as the Mission Committee, be called, hereafter, the Home Missions Committee, and that the causes of Foreign Missions, Education, Publication, Colportage, Bible Cause and Colored Evangelization be put under the charge of special agents to be elected yearly at the Spring Meeting of the Presbytery.

Bible Cause, Col. work

R. F. Campbell. T. F.
Chairman of Executive Com.

Addresses were then made by Revs. E. MacDavis, R. P. Smith, J. L. Wicker.

Addresses.

A collection of $22.65 was then taken up.

The report was then referred to the Committee on the Report of the Executive Com.

Orphanage Rev. R. H. Boyd.

Rev. R. H. Boyd, of the Concord Presbytery, was invited to sit as a corresponding member. On motion, it was made a special order for an address from him on Barium Springs Orphanage tomorrow evening after the foreign mission meeting.

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Rev. R. P. Smith of Mecklenburg Presbytery was invited to sit as a corresponding Brother.

It was ordered that the morning session begin at 8-30 instead of 9 o'clock.

Adjourned with doxology and benediction to that time.

Thursday's session.

Thursday 8-30 A.M.

After devotional exercises conducted by Rev. E. MacDavis, consideration of business was resumed.

Minutes of Wednesday were read, amended and approved.

Call from Swannanoa church.

A call from Swannanoa church, for pastoral service of Rev. H. R. Overcash, was presented. The call being technically incomplete Rev. R. F. Campbell D.D., Rev. E. MacDavis, Rev. E. A. Dample, J. B. Shope and N. L. Blair were appointed a Commission to meet at the church at 5 P.M. on 3rd Sunday of May, consider the call, and if they be clear, proceed to the installation.

In reply to the overture of Oak Forest Session, answer was made that, in absence of any pastor the elders constitute a quorum for transaction of business.

Statistical Report.

The Statistical Report presented by the Stated Clerk was approved and ordered sent up to the General Assembly, the Stated Clerk being given authority to make such additions and corrections as more complete information may render possible.

Com. on Rec. Records.

The Committee on Presbyterial Records reported that they had been examined and found correct. The report was received and adopted.

Com. on Sessional Records.

The Committee on Sessional Records reported that the records of Bryson City, Dillsboro, Haywood, Swannanoa, Southside, Oak Forest, Bethel, Asheville, Hendersonville, and Murphy be approved; of Mills River, approved, except that the roll made omission; of Davidson River, except that records have not ~~been~~ before been sent up since 1893, and of Burnard, except that records have not before been sent up since 1895.

The report was adopted.

Com. on Education.

The report on Report of Executive Committee was received, recommendations considered seriatim, and

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adopted as a whole.

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Report of Com. on Report & Records of Executive Com.

To the Presbytery of Asheville, in session at Murphy, N.C.

Your Committee on the Report and Records of the Executive Committee recommends (1) the adoption of the recommendations therein contained; (2) the revision of the list of churches delinquent on pastor's salary; (3) that the Presbytery urge upon the churches the prompt and full payment of pastors' salaries.

E. MacDavis, Chairman
E. A. Sample

Agents appt.

The following agents for causes were elected:
Foreign Missions – Rev. A. Walker White
Education – Rev. S. C. Caldwell
Colportage and Bible Cause – Rev. E. MacDavis
Colored Evangelization – Rev. H. R. Overcash
Sabbath Schools – Rev. J. F. Wade.

It was ordered that the Treasurer be directed to pay to the Stated Clerk, in future, his expenses to the Presbytery and Synod.

The report of the Auditing Committee was received and adopted.

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Auditing Committee

Report of Auditing Committee

We, the undersigned Auditing Committee of the Asheville Presbytery, in session at Murphy, have examined the books of the Treasurer and find them correct.

J. D. Shope, Chairman
M. J. Orr

Committee on Systematic Beneficence

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence made a report which was received and recommendations adopted.

Your Committee on Systematic Beneficence would report that twelve of our churches have contributed $823.10 to Foreign Missions. Seven churches have contributed nothing to this cause.

Four have contributed $179. to the Assembly's Home Missions – Fourteen contributing nothing.

Five Churches have contributed $152.72 to the Colored Evangelist Cause – thirteen contributing nothing.

Fourteen have contributed $2,310.41 to Local Home Missions – five contributing nothing.

Two have contributed $12.65 to Relief Fund – sixteen contributing nothing.

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Three have contributed $258.84 to the Education cause - fifteen contributing nothing

Five have contributed $31.36 to Publication - thirteen contributing nothing.

These churches have contributed a total of $3,680.73 for the eight objects of Systematic Beneficence.

We find further that only one church has contributed to the eight objects of Beneficence. One church has contributed to six of these objects, one to five, three to four, four to three, two to two, three to one and four to none

In view of the importance of all these causes and the small percent of our churches that contribute to even half of them - sixteen churches having given nothing to the Relief Fund, fifteen nothing to Education - we would recommend that the Presbytery urge the pastors and sessions of our churches to do what they can to lead the people to see their responsibility and privilege in this direction.

Respectfully submitted

Committee { R. Walker White, E. F. Hague

Report on Sabbath Schools.

Rev. J. T. Wade, agent of Sabbath Schools, made a report which was received, approved and an recommendation adopted.

Report on Sabbath Schools.

Your agent of Sabbath Schools begs leave to report that the reports from the various churches have been examined, and find that the majority of them are doing good work.

Almost all of the schools are under the control of the Church sessions, and the scholars most generally attend upon and take part in the church service.

The Scriptures are pretty generally memorized, and the publications of our church are used almost exclusively.

But in order to create a deeper interest and enthusiasm in the churches in the matter of this very important work, would recommend that we have a popular meeting for this purpose at the next meeting of Presbytery.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. Wade

Agt. of Sabbath Schools.

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Report on Narrative

The Narrative was reported by the committee, approved, adopted, and ordered sent up to the General Assembly.

Recess was taken until 2-30 P.M.

Thursday, 2-30 P.M.

Evangelistic power to A. W. White

On motion, Rev. A. Walker White was granted evangelistic power, as to the reception of members.

Com. on Manual

The Committee on Manual was, on motion, continued and given power to complete and have the Manual printed and distributed.

Border churches

Rev. J. B. Cochran was, at his own request, given further time to visit Border Churches in Georgia, with reference to joining with ours where advisable.

On motion of Rev. J. T. Wade the following resolution, with regard to family training, was adopted.

Family worship

Being sensible of the great neglect of family training throughout the bounds of our Presbytery, and so sensible of the very great importance of the same, the Rockville Presbytery would hereby call attention to this neglect and priceless importance, and urge

all of its ministry to touch upon the subject, and secure suitable publications bearing upon this subject, that the coming generation may be reached and be trained for our Master's work.

Colportage

The agent of Colportage and Bible Cause was instructed to investigate and report upon suitable publications to aid in the objects of preceding resolution.

Minutes

On motion, the Stated Clerk, Rev. J. B. Cochran and W. A. Blair were appointed a committee to have the minutes of this session printed.

Appts. from April to April

On motion, it was ordered that the appointments as they now stand be continued from April 1st 1898 to April 1st 1899.

Ch. at Round Top

Rev. E. A. Sample made a verbal report of the Surgeon with regard to the proposed Church at Round Top.

The agent of Education was directed to act as the medium of communication between parochial schools and the Presbytery.

Recess was taken until 7-30 P.M.

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Thursday 7-30 P.M.

Presbytery was called to order by the Moderator and a special order — the consideration of the report on Foreign Missions — was announced.

Report on F. Missions.

The meeting was introduced by devotional exercises, Rev. E. A. Smythe presiding.

The report on foreign missions was presented by Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D., Chairman of Executive Committee and on motion was received.

The Presbytery was then addressed upon this great cause by Rev. A. Walker White.

The report was then approved, the recommendations considered seriatim and adopted.

Executive Committee's Report on Foreign Missions

The churches of the Presbytery have contributed to the cause of Foreign Missions as follows:

First Church, Asheville	$708.00
Brevard	12.00
Davidson River	8.00
Mills River	14.00
Hendersonville	10.00

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Swannanoa	$2.00
Murphy	2.00
Cane Creek	31.00
Waynesville	15.00
Bethel	2.00
Centre	5.00
Southside	16.00
Total	$823.00

F. Missions (con)

The following churches have contributed nothing to the cause of Foreign Missions: Midway, Waynesville, Andrews, Bryson City, Sylva, Franklin, Morrison.

In the twenty churches of this Presbytery there is no Men's Foreign Missionary Society, and only two women's and two children's missionary societies. Only three churches observe the monthly concert of prayer for missions.

The Committee recommended:

1. That pastors be requested to preach to their people on the great duty of sending the gospel to the heathen.

2. That pastors and sessions be urged to see to it that collections for this cause are taken in all the churches.

3. That our people be urged to subscribe for the Missionary, the Children's Missionary and Missionary Calendar for Boys.

4. That the regular concert of prayer for missions be observed, as far as possible in all our churches.

5. That Missionary Societies be organized under the direction of the session in every church.

R. F. Campbell,
Chairman Executive Com.

Address R. H. Boyd

Rev. R. H. Boyd, of Concord Presbytery, was then introduced and addressed the Presbytery on the subject of the Barium Springs Orphanage. A resolution commending this noble institution and asking that all the churches give it their prayerful and material support was passed. A collection was then taken amounting to $16.10.

Rev. S. C. Lee application for admission

Rev. S. C. Lee of the Virginia Conference of the Protestant Methodist Church, was invited to sit as a visiting brother. Application was then made by Mr. Lee for admission to the Presbytery. After discussion the application was referred

to the Home Missions Committee, which was directed to investigate and consider the matter and report on the same to a meeting of the Presbytery called, if deemed necessary, to take final action.

Report of Com. on Pres. Records

The Committee appointed to examine the records of the Presbytery reported that the same had been examined and found correct.

The report follows:

Murphy, N. C. May 4, 1898.

To the Presbytery of Asheville.

Your Committee appointed to examine Presbyterial records, respectfully report that they have examined them and found them correct.

B. M. Lee, Chairman
J. E. Brittain.

Vote of thanks

The usual vote of thanks to the people of Murphy and the Southern Railroad was adopted.

Minutes were read and approved. The Presbytery adjourned with prayer, praise & benediction, to meet at the place and time appointed.

S. C. Caldwell
Temporary Clerk.

E. A. Lyerly
Stated Clerk.

Synod of North Carolina

Examined and approved with the following corrections:

1. On page 32 reads committee instead of commission to install Rev. J. B. Cochran.
2. On page 55 reads committee instead of commission to install Rev. S. C. Caldwell.

Gastonia, N.C. Oct. 28th 1898.

R. F. Campbell
Moderator.

Call Meeting

*August 29, 1898.

Highlands, N.C.

The Constitutional requirements having been complied with I hereby call a meeting of Asheville Presbytery to be held in the pastor's study of the First Presbyterian Church of Asheville, N.C. Sept 6th 11 A.M. to examine Mr. Wm. P. Schiedecker and to receive him as a candidate for the Gospel ministry under the care of the Presbytery if the way be clear.

Rev. J. S. Wade
Moderator.

September 6, 1898. 11 A.M.

Presbytery met pursuant to call in pastor's study of First Presbyterian Church, Asheville, N.C. and was called to order by Rev. E. A. Sample, the latest moderator present, constituted with prayer by Rev. E. MacDavis.

Rev. S. C. Caldwell was elected temporary clerk. *These minutes should have been recorded before book was carried to Synod. S.C.

Call Meeting

Present — Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D., E. MacDonald, E. A. Sample, S. C. Caldwell.

Ruling Elder: — J. B. Shope of Southside Ch.

Rev. R. F. Campbell then presented a communication from the session of 1st Ch. Asheville commending Mr. Wm. P. Chedester, a member of that church to the care of Presbytery for a candidate for the Gospel Ministry.

Chedester received

Rev. W. M. Parker of Charleston Presbytery and Rev. J. M. Holladay of Montgomery Presbytery being present were invited to sit as corresponding members.

Mr. Chedester was then examined by the Moderator and members of Presbytery on Personal Religion and motives for seeking the Gospel ministry and on motion the examinations were severally sustained, then sustained as a whole, and Mr. Chedester was received as a candidate for the Gospel ministry and put under the charge of the agent for Education.

Examined

Minutes were read and approved. Adjourned with prayer and benediction by the Mod.

adjourn

S. C. Caldwell, Sem. Clk.

E. A. Sample, S.C.

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Highlands, N. C.

The Presbytery of Asheville met pursuant to adjournment in the Presbyterian church, Highlands, N.C. 7 30 P. M. and after a sermon by Rev. J. M. Holladay from Ps 23, was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Mod., Rev. J. T. Wade.

Presbytery constituted

The roll was called and the following were found present —

Roll called

Ministers — E. A. Sample
J. T. Wade
A. Walker White

Elders — E. L. Hagler of Centre Ch.
W. E. Dearn of Davidson River
N. P. Rankin of Franklin

A quorum being present on motion the election of officers was postponed until tomorrow at 9 A. M.

Presbytery then adjourned with prayer by Lieutenant R. S. Eskridge.

E. A. Sample Clerk

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Friday Sept. 23rd 9 A.M.

Organization

Presbytery met and after devotional exercises conducted by Rev. A. Walker White, resumed business. Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D. appeared and gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness and was enrolled.

Presbytery then proceeded to the election of officers. Rev. R. F. Campbell was chosen as Moderator, and Rev. A. Walker White Temporary Clk.

Minutes approved

Minutes of last night's session were read and approved.

Mr. W. A. Blair from 1st Ch. Asheville and Mr. W. H. Faucette from Hayesville ch. were enrolled.

Reading Minutes of Regular Meeting Dispensed with.

On motion the reading of the minutes of last regular meeting was dispensed with as they had been printed.

Minutes of Called meeting were read and approved.

Letter from Bro. Fowler

A communication from Rev. D. T. Fowler giving reasons for absence from this meeting was received, reasons sustained as satisfactory, and Rev. E. A. Sample was appointed to write Bro. Fowler conveying to him our sympathy and Christian

love.

Reception of S. D. Hunt and J. M. Holladay

Revs. S. D. Hunt of St. John's Presbytery and J. M. Holladay of Montgomery Presbytery presented letters of dismission from their respective Presbyteries, and after due examination on experimental religion, Theology, and Ch. Government were received and enrolled.

Resignation of Cochrane from Murphy & Hayesville

Communications were received from Rev. J. B. Cochrane the Murphy and Hayesville Chs. relative to the dissolution of Pastoral relation existing between Bro. Cochrane and these Chs. On motion these papers were referred to the Home Missions Com.

Communication from Rev. J. Rumple

A communication from Rev. J. Rumple, D.D. Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Davidson College, was read and received as information.

Little River and Boiling Springs chs.

Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D. as Chairman of Committee to organize Churches at Little River and Boiling Springs, reported that the way was not yet clear for organizing at these points. The report was received, approved, and the Committee continued.

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Round Top chapel.

Rev. E. A. Sample reported, giving satisfactory reasons, that the Chapel at Round Top had not been built, and the committee was continued.

Evangelist Lee.

Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D. reported for the Home Missions Committee that Evangelist Lee had withdrawn his application for membership in this Presbytery. Report was received and approved.

Minutes Printed.

Rev. E. A. Sample reported that three Hundred copies of Minutes of last regular meeting of Presbytery at a cost of $20. had been printed and distributed among the Chs. Report was received and approved.

Report on Manual.

Rev. E. A. Sample, Chairman of Com. on Manual, reported that the work had not been done, and in view the action of the Presbytery at its last meeting authorizing the Committee on Manual to complete the same and have it printed was reconsidered

Holladay substituted for Cochrane

and Rev. J. M. Holladay was substituted for Rev. J. B. Cochrane, and the Committee was continued, and instructed to

report at next regular meeting.

Recess was then taken until 2-30 P.M.

2-30 P.M.

Presbytery met and resumed business.

Further enrollment.

Revs. S. C. Caldwell, H. R. Chiesch, and J. L. Wicker, and elders Jas. J. Osborne of Mills River Ch, and H. C. Cornell of Hendersonville Ch. appeared and gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness and were enrolled.

Commissioners to Gen. Assembly report.

Rev. J. L. Wicker and elder N. H. Fancett, Commissioners to last General Assembly, made their report which was received, and their diligence commended.

Committees appointed.

The Moderator appointed the following Standing Committees —

1. On Narrative to the Synod
   S. C. Caldwell
   H. E. Dixon

2. On Minutes of General Assembly
   J. M. Holladay
   J. L. Wicker
   E. L. Hagler

3. Finance
   N. H. Fancett
   Robt. McPherson

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4. Judicial

T. D. Hunt
H. A. Blair

Committee

5. Bills and Overtures

A. Walker White
E. MacDavis
N. P. Rankin

Continued

6. Presbyterial Records

H. R. Orrcash
Jas. J. Osborne

7. Leave of absence

J. S. Wade
N. C. Connell

It was made the order of the day to hear the report of the Home Mission Com. this evening at 7 30.

The report of the committee on Devotional exercises was received, amended, and adopted.

Overture from Assembly.

Overtures sent down from the General Assembly were referred to Committee on Minutes of Genl Assembly.

An overture to the Synod asking that the Stated Clerk of Synod be instructed to prepare and send blanks to the Churches for information regarding

the work of the Synodical year, was received and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

Free conversation on the subject of religion was made the order of the day for tomorrow at 10 A.M.

Order for Orrcash's Installation

The Commission appointed to install Rev. H. R. Orrcash over the Swannanoa Church made the following report, which was received, approved and ordered to be made a part of the record.

Report of Commission.

The Commission of Asheville Presbytery to take order for the installation of Rev. H. R. Orrcash as pastor of the Swannanoa Church if the way be clear, met at Swannanoa ch. May 15 at 5 P.M. The Commission was called to order and constituted with prayer by elder J. B. Shope.

Present — Revs. R. F. Campbell, D.D., and E. MacDavis, and elder J. B. Shope.

Rev. E. MacDavis was elected clerk.

The call of Swannanoa ch. was read and found in order and placed in Bro. Orrcash's hands. He signifying his acceptance, the following order was

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taken for his installation this evening at 8 o'clock.

Rev. R. F. Campbell to preside, propound the constitutional questions, charge the pastor and the people, and Rev. E. MacDavis to preach the sermon. The commission then took recess till 8 P.M.

8. P.M.

Commission met at Swannanoa.

The commission met and was led in prayer by Rev. E. MacDavis. On account of the inclement weather the congregation failed to assemble, and the commission adjourned to meet at 4 P.M. May 22nd 1898. Rev. E. A. Sample to take the part assigned to Rev. E. MacDavis.

E. MacDavis (Clerk)

Swannanoa N.C.
May, 15, 1898.

The commission appointed to install Rev. H. R. Orncash over Swannanoa ch. met according to adjournment at the above place May 22nd 4 P.M. and was called to order and led in prayer by Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D.

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Second meeting of Commission

Present — Revs. R. F. Campbell, E. A. Sample, and elders W. A. Blair from 1st Ch. Asheville and J. B. Shope from Southside.

W. A. Blair was elected clerk.

Rev. E. A. Sample preached the sermon and charged the pastor, and Rev. R. F. Campbell presided, propounded the constitutional questions and charged the people.

Commission adjourned with prayer by Rev. E. A. Sample.

W. A. Blair (Clerk)

S. C. Caldwell elected Trustee Davidson College

On motion Rev. S. C. Caldwell was elected Trustee of Davidson College for three years.

Call from Bryson City A. D. White

A call from Bryson City church for the pastoral service of Rev. A. Walker White was read, found in order, and placed in his hands.

Place of next meeting

Mills River was chosen as the place for holding next regular meeting of Presbytery.

Recess taken till 7.30 P.M.

7.30 P.M.

Presbytery met and resumed business. Rev. H. R. Orncash, chairman of a commission to organize a church

at or near Barnardsville made the following report.

Report of Commission to organize at Barnardsville

The Commission appointed to organize a church at or near Barnardsville met on Upper Dry, Aug. 21, 1898, and was constituted with prayer.

Present Revs. H. R. Arncash, and E. MacDavis, and elder J. B. Shope.

J. B. Shope was elected Clerk.

Forty four names were presented who had been received on examination into the Presbyterian church by Rev. E. MacDavis as Evangelist, and four by letter from the Protestant Methodist church. Six persons were received by the Commission on examination.

Church organized. Officers elected

The church was then duly organized and Messrs. H. H. Jarrett, Jas. Bryson, and J. A. Hensley, elected, ordained and installed elders; and Messrs. H. L. West, Chas. Dillingham, and Elbert Dillingham deacons.

J. B. Shope (Clk.).

On motion report was received and approved, the Church enrolled as Upper Dry, and Mr. J. A. Hensley given a seat as its representative.

Committee on Home Missions made the following report which was received and after addresses by Mr. R. L. Eskridge, and Rev. E. MacDavis, and a collection amounting to $9.72 was approved and the recommendations adopted.

Report on Home Missions

After the detailed report of our mission fields made by the committee to the spring meeting of the Presbytery it will be necessary at this time to call attention only to a few notable facts in connection with the work.

Report Continued.

1. For the first time since the organization of the Presbytery all our churches have pastors or stated supplies.

2. A new church has been organized on Big Dry Creek, 3 miles above Barnardsville, known as Upper Dry church.

Rev. E. MacDavis began work at this point in Oct. 1897. There are sixty six members on the roll, and three elders and three deacons have been elected, ordained and installed.

A building site and lumber for the erection of a church have been donated

Home Mission Report con-tinued.

Four schools have been successfully conducted at this point during the summer by consecrated Christian women under the direction of Mr. Davis.

3. In the month of August Rev. Wm. Black, the Synodical Evangelist, assisted Rev. H. R. Overcash, pastor of Swannanoa church, in a series of services lasting eight days. The church was greatly revived, and eighteen persons were received on profession of their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

4. Rev. R. P. Smith, assisted by Mr. R. S. Eskridge, a licentiate of Mecklenburg Presbytery, spent over three months, under direction of the Home Missions Committee, in making as thorough a canvass as possible of the destitution within the bounds of our Presbytery.

Mr. Smith summarizes their work as follows:

(1) We travelled in seven of the eleven counties, visiting the most remote coves and destitute sections,

covering in all a distance of 1860 miles.

Report of R. P. Smith

(2) Held services at thirty points, between fifty and sixty persons expressed a change of heart, many were aroused to a higher plane of Christian life.

(3) Visited hundreds of families and conducted worship with them.

(4) Found hundreds of persons that could not read, and heads of families too.

(5) Members of homes were found in which there was no Bible, homes too that had never been visited before by a minister of the Gospel. Ignorance and vice were in evidence.

(6) Distributed thousands of pages of Presbyterian literature and other good reading matter.

Report con-tinued.

(7) During these four months hundreds of persons saw and heard a Presbyterian minister for the first time in their lives.

(8) Made many friends for our cause and opened up the way for work in the future.

(9) Visited families beyond the limit of roads for wheels.

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(10) At times it was difficult to find a lodging place.

(11) Sometimes we had to wash our own clothes in the creek.

Your committee would make the following recommendations.

Recommendations of Home Mission Committee.

1. That the thanks of this Presbytery be tendered to the mother Presbytery of Mecklenburg for her fostering care, and that a strong appeal be made for a continuation of her sympathy and help in the great work which opens before us.

2. That the Presbytery express its high appreciation of the arduous labors of Rev. R. P. Smith and licentiate R. S. Eskridge, and that the Presbytery of Mecklenburg be earnestly requested to give us six months of Bro. Smith's time during the ensuing year.

3. That this Presbytery overture the Presbytery of Mecklenburg to allow Rev. R. P. Smith as much time as possible during the winter months to visit the stronger churches of the Synod and the Theological Seminaries

in order to lay before them the destitution in our mountains.

(4) That the Presbytery express its high appreciation of the service of the Rev. W. M. Black, Synodical Evangelist, and request the Synod to continue to give us two months of Mr. Black's time.

5. That the Synod be requested to transfer the work of Rev. E. MacDavis to the direct supervision of the Home Missions Committee of this Presbytery the Synod continuing to pay his salary.

6. That an appropriation of $300 be made for one year to open work at Sapphire, on condition that an equal sum be contributed by that field.

R. F. Campbell Chair.

The following resolution was adopted: That matters relating to mission and parochial schools be recommitted to the committee of Home Missions, the Agent of Education acting as executive and corresponding agent.

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of the committee in that department of its work.

Treas' Report.

The treasurer made his report which was received and referred to the committee on Finance.

Presbytery adjourned until tomorrow at 9 A.M.

Closed with prayer by Rev. F. R. Arnead.

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The Presbytery met and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. M. Holladay. Minutes of yesterday's session were read, corrected and approved.

Home Missions Com's Report on Cochran's Resignation

The Home Missions committee reported on papers placed in its hands relative to the dissolution of pastoral relation existing between Rev. J. B. Cochran and the Murphy and Hayesville churches, recommending that Presbytery decline to accept the resignation of Bro. Cochran at present, but that the Home Missions Committee be given the power of a commission to act in the matter as they may find expedient.

The report was received and approved

Report on Publication and Colportage

Rev. E. MacDavis, agent of Publication and Colportage made the following report which was received and approved

Your agent for Publication and Colportage has to report that Synod's agent has secured two colporteurs for work in the bounds of the Synod. One of these, Mr. Jas. K. Coit, will immediately enter service in this Presbytery. An itinerary will be arranged for him by correspondence with the several churches. He is commended to the hospitality of our people, and the faithful assistance of the sessions.

Recommendation of Agent.

Your agent has a number of books belonging to the Presbytery in his possession. It is recommended that these books be turned over to the session of the Upper Dry church for sale. Session of church to be responsible to your agent for their cost value.

Respectfully submitted
E. MacDavis agt.

It appearing that Smithville church Asheville, had duly issued a call for the pastoral services of Rev. J. M. Holladay

in the absence of the original document,
Call from Southside for Holladay. Presbytery took the following action
That a commission be appointed
meet as soon as possible at South
side church, receive and consider
said call, and proceed at once, if
the way be clear, to the installation
of the Pastor elect. The following
Commission was appointed
Rev. R. T. Campbell, D.D., E. A. Sampe,
H. R. Overcash, and elders J. B. Shope
and H. A. Blair.

Bible depositories. On motion the agent of Bible
and colportage was instructed to
secure Bible depositories wherever
practicable — at least one in every
county if possible.

The Rev. A. Walker White was al-
lowed to retain the call from the
Bryson City church until the ad-
journed meeting of Presbytery at the
meeting of Synod.

Free Conversation on Religion. The hour having arrived for the
order of the day the Presbytery proceeded
to the Free Conversation on the subject
of religion. On motion speeches were

limited to five minutes.

Dr. Thompson seated. Rev. H. T. Thompson D.D. of Charleston
Presbytery was invited to sit as a cor
responding member. Rev. T. J. Green
of the Methodist church was invited
to sit as a visiting brother.

Presbytery took recess until 3 P.M.

3 P.M.

Presbytery met and resumed
business.

Judicial Coms. Report. The Judicial committee reported
that nothing had come into their
hands. The report was received and
the committee discharged.

The agent on Colored Evangelization,
Rev. H. R. Overcash, made the following
report which was received, approved
and the recommendations adopted.

Colored Evangelization. Your agent on Colored Evangelization
would report that nothing is being done
by our churches for the colored people within
the bounds of our Presbytery, and
very little within our Synod or General
Assembly.

We feel that the failure to give this
work the attention which it deserves,

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arises, from a lack of interest in, and information concerning its needs. We would especially commend to the consideration of our people the work of the Industrial School at North Wilkesboro under the care of the Synod and Stillman Institute under the care of the Assembly.

Recommendations on behalf of Work

We would recommend

1. That our pastors be urged to inform themselves on this subject as much as possible, and to present this cause to their people.

2. That all our churches be urged to take the collection in Dec. for this cause as asked by the Synod and Gen'l Assembly.

Committee on Minutes of General Assembly

The committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly made a report which was received and the recommendations adopted.

I. Items for the information of the Presbytery.

(a) The Presbytery is instructed to emphasize the importance of the Invalids' Fund during the month of July (p 211)

(b) Aid is withdrawn from all

academical students not in college classes (p 213)

(c) Presbyteries are urged to discourage the attendance of theological students upon schools and seminaries other than our own (p 213)

Collection for Home and School

(d) A collection for the Assembly's Home and School is requested on the last Sabbath of Dec. (p 225)

(e) Every minister is urged to preach a sermon on Sabbath observance as soon as possible, and read at such time to the congregation the report of the Assembly's Permanent Committee together with this recommendation (p 262)

Items for action of Presbytery

II. Items for the action of the Presbytery.

(a) The Gen'l Assembly urges each Presbytery to purchase a copy of Alexander's Digest. It is recommended that the Stated Clerk purchase a copy and always have it at each meeting of Presbytery.

(b) Presbyteries are urged to devise some plan to require each church to forward promptly all the funds for benevolent purposes to the proper

treasurer (p 216)

It is recommended that the Presbytery urge each session to see that the funds are promptly forwarded to W. A. Blair, Treas. Asheville, N.C.

Items for action continued

It is also recommended that the State Clerk prepare a blank calling for information on this subject and each spring forward it to the sessions with the blanks for sessional reports.

(c) In answer to the overture of the General Assembly (p 230) on the Baptismal Formula, it is recommended that this Presbytery vote to restore to its original form "I baptize thee in the name" instead of "into the name".

(d) In answer to the overture of the General Assembly recommending an amendment to Chap VI. Sec V par 6 of the Form of Government (p 238) It is recommended that this Presbytery vote to adopt the amendment.

J. M. Holladay Ch.

Report of Finance Com.

The Finance Committee reported that they had examined the Treasurer's

books and found them correct.

The report was received and approved.

Report on Education.

Rev. S. C. Caldwell, the agent for Education, made the following report which was received and approved.

Your agent for Education would report that during the past year we have established and successfully maintained four mission schools in our bounds, which are under the direction of Rev. E. Mac Davis. These schools are taught by consecrated christian women without any expense to the Pres.

We have three young men under our care for the ministry who are in preparatory schools with no charge to Pres.

Recommended

1. That the Synod be requested to make Asheville Pres. special missionary ground, and apportion to it as large a proportion of the funds for Home and Christian education as possible.

2. That the Synodical Com. transfer the direction of its educational work in our bounds to the Presbyterial Com. and put into its hands for disbursements all funds apportioned to Asheville Presbytery.

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Candidates

Hyatt and Holcomb

Mr. J. B. Hyatt and Mr. Jno. B. Holcomb, members of Upper Dry church appeared before the Presbytery asking to be taken under its care as candidates for the ministry. A letter was read from the session of the church certifying to the Christian character of these young men. Their examination on experimental religion and motives for seeking the Gospel ministry were sustained in their usual parts, and as a whole, and they were received under the care of this Presbytery as candidates for the ministry.

Com. on Bills and Overtures

Committee on Bills and Overtures reported recommending that the following overture be sent up to Synod —

The Presbytery of Asheville respectfully overture the Synod of N. C. as follows:

Whereas the Synodical year is distinct from the General Assembly's year and it is important that the reports sent up to Synod by the Presbyteries should be based upon fresh reports from the churches and cover the Synodical rather

than the assembly's year the Presbytery of Asheville asks:

Overtures

1. That the Stated Clerk of Synod be instructed to prepare and send to the Stated Clerks of the Presbyteries for distribution to the churches blanks calling for such information as may be needed.

2. That these reports be sent by the churches to the Fall meetings of the Presbyteries, there to be collated and embodied in the reports of the Presbyteries to Synod.

This report was received, approved and ordered to be sent up to Synod.

Com. on Presbyterial Records.

Committee on Presbyterial Records reported that the minutes were found correct, and suggested that the meetings and dates be placed at the top of each page.

Report received and approved.

Time for next meeting.

Rev. J. L. Dicker reported recommending that April 19, 1899 at 10 A. M. be the time for the next regular meeting of Presbytery.

Report was received and adopted.

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Sermon on Sanctification

Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D. with Rev. S. C. Caldwell as alternate was appointed to preach a sermon at the next regular meeting on Sanctification.

Institute for Elders and Deacons.

A committee consisting of Revs. F. D. Hunt, S. C. Caldwell, and Elders James J. Osborne and H. H. Faucett, was appointed to consider the subject of an Elders and Deacons Institute and report at the next meeting.

Presbytery took recess until 7.30 P.M.

7.30 P.M.

Presbytery met and resumed business.

Rev. A. T. Ford, Pastor of the Baptist church was introduced to Presbytery and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Meeting in interest of S. Schools

A popular meeting in the interest of Sabbath Schools was held and addresses were made by Revs. A. N. White, F. D. Hunt, J. L. Wicker and E. A. Sampley.

The following paper was presented by Rev. J. M. Holladay, which was received and placed on the docket.

"Whereas the printing of the Scriptural

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lessons in the Sabbath School literature tends

1. To lessen Bible study
2. To make the young unfamiliar with the Bible
3. To promote irreverence for God's word

Overture to General Assembly

Therefore the Presbytery of Asheville overtures the General Assembly to direct the Committee of Publication to print only the references, and not the Scriptural lessons in all of its Sabbath School literature.

The committee on Narrative made the following report.

Narrative to Synod

Narrative of the state of Religion to the Synod of N.C. from the Presbytery of Asheville for year ending Oct. 1898.

1. The churches generally report good attendance upon the services of the Sanctuary, especially is this true in our mission fields.

2. There is generally reported a too prevalent neglect of family worship. The old time gathering of father and mother and little ones around the home altar which has been for generations so full of sweet and holy associations, and so fruitful of good results

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is, we fear less and less observed year by year.
3. Few churches report open violations of the law of the Sabbath by professing Christians.
4. In our Sabbath Schools, the children are diligently taught the Scriptures and the Catechisms of our church. In the home, we fear that parents' instruction is keeping pace in decline with family worship.
5. Some of our churches have shown a great advance in the grace of Christian liberality, yet in many others God's people fall far short of their duty in worshipping the Lord with their substance. Except in few cases, the salaries have been paid to the ministers fully and promptly.
6. In several of our churches there have been special outpourings of the Spirit; in others gratifying evidences of Spiritual life and growth are reported. In very few are additions to the communion are reported.
7. Worldly conformity is not reported as prevailing to any marked extent in any of the churches.
8. Mission preaching points are being opened

Narrative to Synod con-tinued.

up by many of the ministers. Our mission fields are opening up and enlarging continually, and our labourers can hardly keep pace with their development. In these fields the encouragements are as great as the labour. In one of them about sixty have been added to the communion, and a new church organized and six young men have offered themselves as candidates for the Gospel ministry.

Thanks to the presence of the Lord of the harvest with his labourers, the highest beams of hope come from some of the darkest parts of our field.

S. C. Caldwell
W. E. Dearar } Com.

This report was received, adopted and ordered to be sent to Synod.

Narrative con-tinued.

Statistical Report.

Rev. E. A. Sample made the Statistical report, and he was granted permission to add any new information obtained.

Report received, adopted, and ordered forwarded to Synod.

Com. on Leave of Absence.

Report of committee on Leave of Absence, Rev. J. T. Bradley, Chm., was made, received & approved

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Adjourned Meeting

Presbytery resolved that when we adjourn it be to meet at Synod at the call of the Moderator.

Com. for Printing Min.

Revs. E. A. Campbell, J. M. Holladay, and elder W. A. Blair were appointed a committee to look after the printing of the minutes of Presbytery.

Record of Reports.

It was ordered that the reports to be sent to the General Assembly and Synod, except the Statistical, be made a matter of Record.

Minutes of today's session read, corrected and approved.

Presbytery adjourned until to-morrow night at 7-30.

Closed with prayer by Rev. S. C. Caldwell.

September 25 7 30 P.M.

Presbytery re assembled and was led in prayer by Rev. J. M. Holladay.

Report on Foreign Missions

Rev. A. Walker White made the following report on Foreign Missions.

As complete reports are made of this work at our spring meetings your agent would recommend that the attention of our pastors and sessions be again called to the information contained

in the report to the last regular meeting of this Presbytery, and that they be urged to use all diligence to carry out the recommendations made in that report.

Foreign Missions continued.

This report was received and after addresses by Revs. F. D. Hunt and R. F. Campbell, D.D., was adopted.

The following vote of thanks was adopted:

Vote of Thanks.

The Presbytery of Asheville does most heartily thank the good people of Highlands for the cordial hospitality extended to the members of the Presbytery, and this body prays that God may richly bless the people who live in this beautiful mountain village. We would also thank our Baptist brethren for the use of their pulpit this morning.

Discretionary power to Stated Clk.

On motion discretionary power to edit the minutes, and to change their phraseology wherever in his judgment clearness and conciseness may be enhanced without altering the sense, was granted to the Stated Clerk.

Minutes of to night's session read & approved

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Presbytery then adjourned to meet during Synod at the call of the Moderator.
Closed with prayer, praise and benediction.

A. Walker White Sten Clk.

E. A. Sample
S.C.

Call Meeting

Gastonia N.C.
Oct. 28, 1898.

Presbytery of Asheville, according to adjournment, met at the call of the moderator in the Presbyterian church in the above place.

Ministers present Revs. R. F. Campbell D.D.
E. A. Sample
J. M. Holladay
S. C. Caldwell

No elder being present Presbytery adjourned to meet in the study of the 1st church Asheville N.C. Nov. 1st 1898 10 A.M.

E. A. Sample S.C.

Called Meeting

Asheville N. C.
Nov. 1st 1898.

The Presbytery of Asheville according to adjournment met in the Pastor's study of the 1st ch. Asheville, N. C. and was opened with prayer by Mr. R. F. Campbell Moderator.

Roll Call

Ministers present.

R. F. Campbell, D.D.
E. A. Sample
S. C. Caldwell
J. M. Holladay
H. R. Overcash

Elders.

W. A. Blair 1st ch. Asheville
A. S. Summey Smithside

Minutes of adjourned meeting of Synod read and approved.

Communications from Rev. Cochran and White

A communication from Rev. J. B. Cochran was read, touching his work. After discussion, this letter and the whole matter was referred back to the Home Mission Committee, with the power of a commission.

A communication from Rev. A. H. White asking to be allowed to hold the call

from Bryson City church until spring meeting of Presbytery was read and the request granted.

S. H. Drury rec'd.

A letter from Mecklenburg Presbytery dismissing Licentiate S. H. Drury to this Presbytery was read, and Mr. Drury was received as a Licentiate of this Pres. and put under the care of the Home Mission committee.

Franklin field visited by Sample.

Rev. E. A. Sample reported that he had visited the Franklin group of ch. as requested by the Home Mission Com. and gave the Presbytery an account of the work in and condition of these churches. His expenses were ordered to be paid from the Home Mission Funds.

Printing of Minutes reconsidered.

The committee appointed to have the minutes printed reported that the cost would be greater than they had supposed, and on motion the matter of printing the minutes was reconsidered, the order rescinded and com. discharged.

A communication from the Stated Cl. of General assembly touching the assessment of $10. died by this Presbytery Apr. 1898 was received, and this matter together with

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Communication on Assembly's assessment

the whole question of the Presbyterial assessment was referred to the Home Mission Committee, with power to re-apportion the assessments upon the churches, and arrange with the Treas. to pay all assessments due by Presbytery.

Sancett's Resignation

A letter from Mr. N. H. Sancett was read offering his resignation as a member of the Home Mission Committee. On motion request was granted.

Minutes were read, approved, and Presbytery adjourned with prayer & elder A. S. Summey, to meet at Mills River, April 19, 1899, 10 A. M.

G. A. Sample S.C.P.

Call Meeting

Asheville N.C.
Dec. 19, 1898.

The constitutional requirements having been complied with I hereby call a meeting of Asheville Presbytery to be held in the Pastor's Study of 1st Church Asheville, N.C. Dec. 29, 1898, 11 A. M. to attend to the following business:

Dissolution of relation between Orr & Swannanoa Ch.

1. To dissolve the pastoral relation between Rev. H. R. Orr & Swannanoa church if may be clear.
2. To grant Bro. Orr permission to labor without the bounds of Presbytery until next regular meeting.
3. To consider the spiritual and financial condition of Swannanoa church, and to take such action as Presbytery may think best for the good of the church.

R. F. Campbell Mod.

Recall Meeting

Asheville, N.C.
Dec. 29, 1898.

Presbytery convened according to call in Pastor's study at 11 A.M., and was called to order by Moderator Rev. R. F. Campbell, and constituted with prayer by Rev. J. M. Holladay.

Presbytery constituted.

Ministers present—
Revs. R. F. Campbell D.D.
J. M. Holladay
H. R. Orncash
S. C. Caldwell

Ruling Elders—
H. A. Blair, 1st Ch. Asheville
J. H. Dillard Murphy.
A. T. Summey, Smithfield
D. M. Gudger, Oak Forest

Dissolution considered

Moderator presented the facts of the call, and that the objects to be considered were the Resignation of Rev. H. R. Orncash as pastor of Swannanoa church, and to grant him permission to labor without the bounds of Presbytery until next meeting.

Rev. H. R. Orncash presented his resignation as pastor of Swannanoa ch.

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and no representative of the ch. being present stated that he had been informed by a member of the session of that church that at a congregational meeting held on last Sabbath the congregation had voted to concur in his request.

Pastoral Relation dissolved.

On motion the pastoral relation was dissolved. Rev. H. R. Orncash made request for permission to labor without the bounds of Presbytery until spring meeting. The request was, on motion, referred to the Home Mission Committee and that Com. given power to act upon it.

Campbell to visit Swannanoa.

On motion the moderator was appointed a commissioner to visit Swannanoa church and confer with the session on the spiritual and financial condition of the congregation.

Minutes read and approved.
Closed with prayer.

S. C. Caldwell
Sum. Clk.

E. A. Sample — Stated Clk.

Sixth Session - April 19, 1899

Mills River, N. C.

The Presbytery of Asheville met at Mills River N. C. Monday, Wednesday (?) April 19, 1899, at 10 A.M. and was opened with a sermon by Rev. J. M. Holladay from I Kings 13:14 after which Pres. was called to order & constituted with prayer by Rev. E. A. Sample, last moderator present.

Roll called — Roll was called and the following found present.

Ministers — E. A. Sample, J. T. Wade, J. L. Wicker, S. C. Caldwell, E. MacDavis, A. Walker White, H. R. Overcash, F. D. Hunt, & J. M. Holladay.

Elders — J. D. Murphy, 1st ch. Asheville, L. North, Biltmore, L. C. Mill, Davidson River, J. T. Williams, Mills River, O. P. Ore, Mideway, N. G. Carson, Hendersonville, D. M. Killian, Bayneville, A. T. Summey, Southside, N. H. Jarrett, Upper Dry

Organization — J. D. Murphy was elected moderator and Rev. F. D. Hunt Temp. Clk.

Rev. J. R. Spence of M. E. ch. South was introduced and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Foreign Missions — A meeting in the interest of Foreign Missions arranged for this evening at 7.30 o'clock.

Committee on Devotional exercises — Committee on Devotional exercises made following report which was rec'd and adopted. Presbytery to meet at 9 A.M., take recess until 2 P.M., continue until 5 P.M., recess until 7.30 to continue to fill of Presbytery.

Recess was taken until 2 P.M.

2 P.M.

Minutes read — Presbytery called to order and the minutes of regular and call meetings read and approved.

Committees appointed — Moderator announced following com's: on Bills and Overtures J. M. Holladay & N. G. Carson. Auditing Com. E. MacDavis & L. North. Leave of Absence — J. L. Wicker & O. P. Ore. Presbyterial Records A. Walker White & J. T. Williams. Narrative — E. MacDavis & L. C. Mill. Minutes of Synod — J. T. Wade & D. M. Killian. Sessional Records — J. T. Wade, A. T. Summey, N. H. Jarrett, J. L. Wicker.

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Doctrinal sermon S.C. Caldwell

Ordered that the Doctrinal sermon on Sanctification by Rev. S.C. Caldwell be heard tomorrow at 7.30 P.M. in connection with the ordinance of the Lord's Supper.

A letter from Rev. D.S. Fowler giving excuse for absence read and sustained.

On motion Revs. S.C. Caldwell & F.D. Hunt were appointed to write a letter of sympathy to the Bro., and hereafter he shall not be required to render any excuse for non-attendance.

Communication from Highland

A communication from Highland Mission giving account of work at that point read and referred to H. Missions Com.

Stated Clerk read a letter from R.R. authorities giving reasons why special rate could not be secured for this meeting.

Com. from French Broad Presbytery

Communication from French Broad Presbytery of Presbyterian Church in U.S.A. was read and referred to Com. on Bills & Overtures.

Calls for F.D. Hunt

Call from Baynville Ch. for Rev. F.D. Hunt for 3/4 time at a salary of $400 annually, payable monthly, and also one of Manse, was rec'd and placed in his hands.

Call from Bethel Ch. for Rev. F.D. Hunt for 1/4 time compensation $100 per year, payable monthly, presented, and

being in order, placed in his hands.

Ordered that a popular meeting in interest of Home Missions be held Friday night at 7.30.

Overture withdrawn

Overture introduced last fall to Synod of N.C. in reference to printing the text of Scripture in Sabbath School helps, was withdrawn by permission of Presbytery.

Boilston and Little River

Commissions to organize churches at Boilston and Little River, were continued.

Committee on Elders & Deacons Institute made report which was received and placed on docket.

Recess until 7.30

Wednesday 7.30 P.M.

Report on Foreign Missions

Report of Rev. A. Walker White, agent F. Missions was made and rec'd, and pending its adoption addresses were made by Revs. S.C. Caldwell and E. MacDavis. A collection was taken amounting to $2.89. Prayer was made for our missionaries, remembering especially Miss E.V. Lee, a daughter of this church. The following recommendations were adopted.

1. That our pastors and ruling elders

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be urged to do all they can to impress upon the members of our churches their individual responsibility in the great work of witnessing for Christ throughout the world.

F. Missions continued.

2. That faithful continued effort be made to introduce our missionary literature into the homes of our people.

3. That all our people be urged to make a faithful effort to enlist the interest of the children of the church in this great cause.

Popular Meeting H. Missions

Hour for popular meeting in behalf of Home Missions changed from 7-30 P.M. to 11 A.M. Friday.

Time for next regular meeting of Presbytery Monday 7-30 P.M. before the day on which the Synod of N.C. meets.

Adjourned till tomorrow at 9 A.M.

Prayer by Rev. J. M. Holladay.

Thursday Apr. 20, 1899.

Presbytery convened at 9 A.M. and was opened with devotional exercises, conducted by Licentiate L.E. Bostian.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Com. appointed to take charge of the

Com. on Benevolence and Pastor's Salary.

reports on systematic benevolence and pastor's salary. said com. to be Revs. J. L. Wicker, Frank D. Hunt, and elder D. M. Killian.

Elders and Deacons Institute

Report on Elders and Deacons Institute taken from docket, considered, seriatim and each item adopted, and then the report was adopted as a whole.

Time for next Meeting.

Time for next meeting of Presbytery reconsidered. Dillsboro was selected as place for next regular meeting, time Thursday, Sept. 14, 1899, at 7-30 P.M.

Transportation Committee.

Elder J. D. Dunphy appointed a permanent committee of one on transportation.

It was ordered that when this meeting of Presbytery adjourn it do to meet at Asheville, on Tuesday May 2nd at 7-30 P.M.

Report on Manual.

Com. on Manual made its report, and it was not considered, & adopted, and a com. appt. consisting of Revs. R. L. Campbell, F. D. Hunt, & N. A. Blair, to raise funds, have Manual printed & interleaved.

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and it was adopted as a whole.

Elder A. S. Ferrell of Bethel church was enrolled and excused for tardiness.

Com on Elders and Deacons Institute

Com. on Elders and Deacons Institute was appt as follows – Revs. Frank D. Hunt, S. E. Caldwell, and elders S. F. Venable, J. P. Murphey, & Deacon J. S. Morrison.

H. Missions Com. as a commission

Home Missions Com., as a special commission in reference to Rev. J. B. Cochran and Murphey field, made following report, which was rec'd & approved.

Report

The Home Missions Com. of Asheville Presbytery met as a commission in the study of Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D. Oct. 4th 1898, at 3 P.M. and was opened with prayer. Present Revs. R. F. Campbell, S. E. Caldwell, J. M. Holladay, & elders H. A. Blair, A. T. Summey, & J. B. Shope, & Deacon J. S. Morrison. Rev. R. F. Campbell was made chm. & J. B. Shope sec.

Communications from the chs. composing the Murphey group were read, and also a letter from Rev. J. B. Cochran. It was evident that the commission could do nothing that would be satisfactory, and the whole matter was referred back to the adjourned meeting of Presbytery.

Report continued.

Commission then adjourned with prayer to meet Nov. 1st 1898.

Commission met Nov. 1st 1898 at 8 P.M. in Dr. Campbell's study, & opened with prayer. Present Revs. R. F. Campbell, D.D., J. M. Holladay, H. A. Blair, J. B. Shope, and T. S. Morrison. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

A communication from Rev. J. B. Cochran touching his pastoral relation in the Murphey field was read, and action postponed.

Com to re-assess chs.

Rev. J. M. Holladay and H. A. Blair were appt a committee to reapportion the Presbyterial assessments of the several chs. of the Presbytery, and to arrange to pay the outstanding obligations of Presbytery.

Adjourned with prayer to meet Nov. 29, '98.

The commission met Nov. 29, 1898 in Dr. Campbell's study, and was opened with prayer. Present Revs. R. F. Campbell, D.D., S. E. Caldwell, J. M. Holladay, H. A. Blair, J. B. Shope, and T. S. Morrison. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

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Committee on Presbyterial assessments reported as follows, which was rec'd, amended and adopted.

Presbyterial assessments made

Chs	$	cts	Chs	$	cts
Asheville 1st	75	00	Mills River	10	00
Andrews	1	00	Midway	2	00
Brevard	10	00	Murphy	5	00
Bryson City	5	00	Morganton	2	00
Bethel	6	00	Oak Forest	6	50
Centre	1	00	Swannanoa	8	00
Davidson River	10	00	Southside	4	00
Dillsboro	5	00	Waynesville	12	00
Franklin	2	00	Upper Dry	2	00
Hayesville	2	00	Highlands Mission	5	00
Hendersonville	15	00			

Minutes read, approved, & commission adjourned with prayer.

J. B. Shepherd Clk.

Com. on Sessional Records made partial report which was rec'd and adopted.

Committee on Narrative to Genl Assembly made following report which was rec'd, adopted, and ordered sent to Genl Assembly.

Com. on Sessional Records

Com. on Narrative

From examination of reports sent up by the several congregations we note

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the financial condition of most of them in good shape. The pastors salaries paid fully and promptly. By comparison with reports of previous years we find that the people are growing in the grace of giving. The Sabbath Schools and public preaching of the Word are faithfully attended, but there is great neglect in family worship and private instruction of the children in the Scriptures and the Catechisms.

In the observance of the Sabbath most of the sessions report the members fairly faithful. These reports however clearly indicate that the Sabbath is not observed after the manner followed by our fathers, nor after the strictness suggested in the Confession of Faith.

E. MacDavis, L. C. Dill } Com

Report on Treasurer's Book.

Committee on Treasurer's Book reported, which was rec'd and approved.

Report on Presbyterial Records rec'd and approved.

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Minutes Synod — Committee on Minutes of Synod made their report which was rec'd and approved.

Report of Com. appt to examine Records of Home Missions Com. rec'd & approved.

Treasurer made his report which was rec'd and approved.

Com. to Gen'l Assly — Rev. R. F. Campbell D.D. & Elder J. D. Murphy, principals — Rev. F. D. Hunt & Elder L. C. Mill, alt were elected commissioners to Gen'l Assembly.

Adjourned Meeting — Time of adjourned meeting of Presbytery was reconsidered and it was changed to Hendersonville, May 3rd 10 A.M.

Committee on Devotional exercises for next regular meeting of Presbytery, Rev. A. Walker White & elder H. L. Duffy.

Report of Agent for Colportage and Publication rec'd and approved.

Organize Ch. at Barnardsville — A commission consisting of Revs. S. C. Caldwell, E. MacDavis, & H. B. Garrett appt to organize a church at Barnardsville when the way was clear.

Com. on Bills and Overtures granted permission to make their report at adjourned meeting May 3rd at Hendersonville.

Committee consisting of A. Walker White, F. D. Hunt and L. C. Mill was appt to draft suitable resolutions of thanks to Rev. R. F. Campbell for his pamphlets on "The Mountain Whites" & "The Race Problem".

Recess until 7.30 P.M.

7.30 P.M.

Doctrinal Sermon — The doctrinal sermon on sanctification was preached from the text I Thess. 5:23, by Rev. S. C. Caldwell after which the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed, administered by Revs. J. M. Holladay and F. D. Hunt, assisted by J. D. Murphy, D. M. Killian, N. G. Carson & L. C. Mill. Adjourned till tomorrow 9 A.M.

Friday 9 A.M.

Presbytery opened with devotional exercises conducted by Rev. E. MacDavis.

Minutes of yesterday read & approved.

Treasurer to Buy Book — Treasurer of Presbytery, H. A. Blair was instructed to buy a suitable book for his office.

Rev. S. C. Caldwell, agt. of Education, granted permission to submit his written report at adjourned meeting in Hendersonville May 3rd '99.

Ordered that the nominations to

Nomination of Committees

fill the permanent committees created by the new manual be referred to the Com. of Home Missions with Rev. S. C. Caldwell as chm. and that this report be made at fall meeting of Presbytery.

Com. on Sessional Records made final report which was approved.

Reading at Dillsboro

Rev. E. MacDavis as principal and Rev. F. D. Hunt as alternate appointed to preach at Dillsboro on Sunday Sept. 17.

Com. appt. to draft resolutions of thanks to Dr. Campbell for his pamphlets made following report which was rec'd & adopted.

Thanks to Dr. Campbell

Whereas the chm. of our Home Missions Com. Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D. has prepared and published two valuable tracts viz. "Missionary Work among the Mountain Whites of Asheville Presbytery" and "Some Aspects of the Race Problem in the South."

1. Resolved that the thanks of this Pres. be extended for this labor of love.

2. That the Pres. heartily endorses these tracts and requests the author to give this Presbyterial endorsement a place on the title page of all future editions, and if found practicable that a slip

containing this endorsement be placed in the copies of the present edition yet on hand.

Revs. A. Walker White and J. M. Holladay were appointed to select a subject for the doctrinal sermon at next meeting, and nominate a man to preach it.

Report on Schools

Report of agt. on Sabbath Schools was made, rec'd & approved.

Com. on Sessional Reports, on Systematic Benevolence and Pastors Salary made its report which was rec'd & approved.

Doctrinal Sermon

Com. to select a subject and nominate a man to preach the doctrinal sermon at fall meeting presented the name of Rev. R. F. Campbell D.D. as principal and Rev. J. S. Wade as alternate subject, "The Final Perseverance of the Saints." This report was rec'd and approved.

Rev. A. Walker White was granted permission to hold call from Bryson City Ch. until fall meeting.

Com. to notify F. D. Hunt

Calls of Bethel and Waynesville Chs. accepted by Rev. F. D. Hunt and order taken for his installation. Committee to install him at Waynesville 1st Sabbath of June

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Rev. E. MacDavis to preach the sermon, Rev. A. Walker White to preside, propound constitutional questions, and deliver charge to pastor, and elder J. D. Murphy to charge the people.

At Bethel 2nd Sabbath of June, Rev. J. L. Nicks to preach the sermon, Rev. H. R. Orrcash to preside, propound constitutional questions, & deliver charge to pastor, and elder D. M. Killian charge the people.

Report on Coloured Work.

Report of agt. on Coloured Work, Rev. H. R. Orrcash, rec'd and following recommendations adopted.

1. The coloured ministers have all been paid. The dissatisfaction seems entirely past and they appear encouraged and inclined to work.

2. The assembly's committee is endeavoring to employ all of them in promising work, and is ready to make appropriations to their support. Two coloured evangelists are to be put into the field to visit and strengthen the coloured chs.

3. The work is growing. There are now 23 Sunday Schools in which white

teachers instruct coloured children - a gain of ten over last year, and help is being given towards the building of three new churches.

4. The cost of the work on the present plan is much less than formerly, although the work of the Stillman Institute has been enlarged, it costs less than one half what it once cost.

Instruction to Stated Clk.

Stated Clerk instructed to write to all chs. which have failed to send in reports, requiring reports sent to him at once.

Recess of 5 minutes was taken, after which the order of the day was taken up.

Report on H. Missions.

Rev. J. M. Holladay, acting chm. made report on Home Missions which was rec'd. and pending action addresses by J. D. Murphy, L. E. Bostian, J. L. Nicks, E. MacDavis, & D. E. Caldwell were made.

A collection was taken amt. $4.84.

Report of the committee was taken up seriatim, approved, and its recommendations adopted. Then report was adopted as a whole as follows —

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Report of Home Mission Committee of Asheville Presbytery for the year ending March 31, 1899.

Report of Home Missions Com.

The committee would call attention to the failure of several of the pastors of Mission fields to respond to the request of the Com. to send them reports of their work. This neglect of duty on their part makes it impossible for the Com. to give the proper time and attention to the preparation of the committee's report. It is hoped that the simple mention of this matter will be effectual in bringing about the desired reform.

The reports from churches and groups of churches receiving aid, except Nos. 4, 8, & 10 are as follows:

1. Dunsley, Hayesville and Andrews.

Rev. J. B. Cochran, the pastor of these churches, was granted on account of his wife's ill health, to ask for six months leave of absence from Oct. 1, 1898.

Licentiate L. E. Bostian has been supplying the field since Nov. 10.

There have been three additions by letter

to the Dunsley church; none at either of the other points. A number of the members of the Hayesville church have moved out of the neighborhood.

Dunsley church has paid Mr. Cochran in full, but owed Mr. Bostian $23.40 Apr. 14.

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Hayesville church owes Mr. Cochran $30.00. The church has paid Mr. Bostian nothing for his services.

Both Dunsley and Hayesville have fallen into the ruinous habit of omitting the collections ordered by Presbytery for the Benevolent causes, on the plea that all the collections are needed to raise the pastor's salary. No church can prosper under such a policy of selfishness and disloyalty.

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The report from the Andrews church gives ground for real encouragement, considering all the circumstances. We have only six members at this point, and some of them have met with serious financial disasters during the year.

The congregations are good, a flourishing Sunday School has been established,

and Mr. Bostian has been paid in full to date.

2. Burnsville, Dillsboro, and Webster.

This field is served by Rev. A. Walker White, who preached four sermons a month at Burnsville, three at Dillsboro, and one at Webster.

There have been four additions to the church at Burnsville — two by letter, and two on examination.

There has been a marked increase in the afternoon congregations at this point, which is a most hopeful sign.

At Dillsboro there have been several cases of disagreeable discipline. But God has blessed the fidelity of the pastor and session, and the church is in a better condition on the whole than ever before. The church has paid the pastor $150, which is just twice what they ever paid at their best before Mr. White took charge of the field.

3. Hendersonville. This church has, during the past year, enjoyed no special outpouring of the Spirit, yet God has not wholly withheld his grace.

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six have been added to the communion, four by certificate, two on profession, making twenty-two since the present pastorate began in Dec. '97.

The congregations have been good in spite of much bad weather, and a severe epidemic of grippe. The Sabbath School has been in good condition and is at present growing rapidly — prayer meetings are well attended. Young people's society is active and has thirty-six members. The only cause of discouragement is the falling off in contributions for the support of the church. This is due, partly, to interruptions in the regular service during the winter, partly to removals and sickness, but partly also to the neglect and indifference of a few contributors.

4. Madison County Field.

Rev. E. MacDonald has served this field for the past year, supported by the Synodical Com. of Home Missions, but is a member of, and under the control of this Presbytery.

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During the past year he has received into the church fifty six members on profession, and four by letter, and baptized sixteen infants.

The work on Shelton Laurel has been transferred to Miss Goodrich of the Southern Presbyterian church.

Bro. Davis preaches regularly at Democrat, Sugar Creek, Chestnut Grove, Carson School house, South Fork Dy, Barnardsville and Paint Fork Dy; besides he preaches at other places as opportunity offers. During the past twelve months he has established

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preaching points, hitherto untouched by him, at Democrat, South Fork, Paint Fork, and Carson School house. The congregations are usually large at all the places where regular services are held. As an indication of the good will and interest of the people in the Bishop of this field and his worthy helpmeet, mention is made of numerous donations made to them very recently. Large quantities of religious papers and tracts have been

distributed among the people. It is hoped that by fall a church building will have been erected at Barnardsville — it is expected that the people will raise at least $200, and some friends have promised to supplement this amount to enable them to build. A lot of two acres has been given upon which to locate the church.

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5. Highlands — Rev. J. T. Dade, who serves this field, reports that he has received eight persons on examination, and three by letter, and established two new preaching points. The attendance upon the preached word is good, and the members manifest much interest in the work of the church. Sabbath schools are maintained at Highlands, Shortoff, and Horse Cove. There is good prospect of a number of additions in the near future to our churches.

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6. Burnsville and Davidson River — These churches are served by Rev. J. L. Dicken. Since the last spring meeting of

this Presbytery these two churches, which have been grouped formerly with Mills River and Midway, have been constituted into a separate group, and employ a pastor for all of his time. Bro. Dicker reports six additions by examination and one by letter at Brevard, and four additions on examination at Davidson River. The congregations at both churches are good, and the future of these churches is hopeful.

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7. Franklin, Morrison and Cullee.

This field is still vacant, and since the last meeting of Presbytery none has served them.

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8. Smithside — This church receives aid from the 1st Ch. Asheville, and employs Rev. J. M. Holladay for all his time.

9. Swannanoa — This church is now vacant and has been since 1st Jan. 99. It is now passing through a crisis in its history, and its future is a matter of grave concern to you. Com.

10. Haywood and Bethel.

These churches now enjoy the ministrations of Rev. F. D. Hunt, and we are glad to be able to report, are self-sustaining.

11. Mills River, Midway and Oak Forest.

Mills River and Midway churches have formerly grouped with Brevard and Davidson River chs. Since that grouping was dissolved Oak Forest ch. was added to Mills River and Midway to form a new group. This group is now supplied by Rev. H. R. Duncan who has been in the field about three months — the congregations are encouraging. Mr. Duncan preaches at Mamda in connection with the work at Oak Forest.

Home Missions

con-tinued.

The committee is glad to report to Presbytery that work will be begun at Sapphire about the 1st May. Rev. A. Robotham of the Synod of Florida, will have charge of this work and expects to become a member of this Presbytery in May. The prospect at Sapphire is good, and we hope to see, in time, a ch. established here.

Sixth Session.

Your committee recommends
1. That the rule of the committee cutting off those churches from the support of the Home Mission Funds which have not paid their pastors up

Home to Apr. 1st be suspended for thirty days from the date of adjournment of Presbytery.

Missions 2. That the apportionments for Home Missions shall be the same as last year,

con- unless the committee shall, at a future date deem it best to change them.

tinued. 3. That Mills River, Oak Forest, and Midway Chs. be allowed to employ Rev. H. R. Orencash as stated supply until the next meeting of Presbytery.

A vote of thanks to Mills River ch and the people of that community was made and adopted.

Leave of Absence — Report of Com. on Leave of Absence received and approved. Minutes of today's session read and approved.

Presbytery adjourned with praise, prayer, and benediction, to meet in adjourned meeting at Hendersonville, May 3rd, 10 A.M.

F. S. Hunt, Tem. Clk.

E. A. Sample S.C.

Adjourned Meeting.

Hendersonville, N. C.
May 3rd 1899.

The Presbytery of Asheville met according to adjournment in Hendersonville, May 3rd at 10 A.M. and was called to order and constituted with prayer by Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D. last moderator present.

Roll was called and the following

Roll Call — found present

Ministers — E. A. Sample, R. F. Campbell, J. L. Dickey, S. C. Caldwell, H. R. Orencash, and F. S. Hunt.

Elders — L. North from Brevard ch. H. G. Carson Hendersonville.

Report on Bills and Overtures — A report was made from Com. on Bills and Overtures as to communication from Pres. of French Broad, and the following reply adopted, and ordered forwarded to stated clerk of that Presbytery. (See appendix p 153)

Elders and Deacons Institute — The com. on Elders and Deacons Institute instructed to invite chs. of French Broad Presbytery to participate in Elders and Deacons Institute to be held

Adjourned Meeting

at Oak Forest Ch. Aug. 16th 1899.

The report of Com. on Education read and approved and is as follows.

The agent of Education begs leave to report

Report of Agent of Education

1. As to the three candidates for the ministry under our care, Mr. R. B. Chesteen is still prosecuting his studies at Davidson College. Mr. J. H. Hyatt has, notwithstanding, been studying at Hot Springs, but a short time since went home where he is at present. Mr. J. H. Holcomb who was at school near Asheville was called home by domestic affliction, and while there had the misfortune to break his leg. His education is thus interrupted for the present and it is not known when it will be resumed.

2. Arrangements have been completed for the erection of a school building at Finis Creek and funds have been placed at our disposal to pay the salary of one teacher there. The people have agreed to support a second.

Report on Education continued

3. Miss Jennie Jones still continues her noble work at Leicester, a portion of the necessary funds has been contributed for the erection of a suitable school building.

4. Miss Allison has for the past year been at her post of duty at Billingham. The ladies of the 1st Ch. Asheville have generously furnished a teacher's room for her in the home of the Bishop of Madison County.

On the whole the work is moving on well and we have cause for gratitude to the Lord of the vineyard for his many benefits and mercies.

S. C. Caldwell Agt.

Trustees of Brandon

The Special Trustees of Brandon Fund instructed to transfer said fund to the Home Mission Com. to be held and used for the Mission work of Oak Forest Ch. at Brandon.

Ordered that when we adjourn it be to meet in pastor's study of 1st Ch. Asheville, Friday, June 6, 1899, 8 O.M.

Adjourned Meeting.

Recess taken until 2.45 P.M.
2.45 P.M.

Presbytery reassembled and resumed business.

Reception of Bomotham — Rev. Arthur Bomotham presented a letter of transfer from St. Johns Presbytery, and after due examination was received as a member of this Presbytery.

Evangelistic powers were conferred upon Rev. A. Bomotham, and he was granted permission to labor in the Sapphire field under the direction of the Home Division Com.

Addition to Com. Boilston. — Elder Jasper Ller was added to the commission to organize Boilston and Little Rim Chs.

The minutes were read and approved, and Presbytery adjourned with prayer, praise and benediction to meet June 6, 8 P.M. in Dr. Campbell's study, Asheville N.C.

F. D. Hunt.
Stat. Clk.

E. A. Sampler S.C.

Appendix

Reply to Presbytery of French Broad — Paper to French Broad Pres.

To the Brethren and Elders of the Presbytery of French Broad:

Grace, mercy and peace be unto you through God our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Presbytery of Asheville has received with pleasure the fraternal greeting and the announcement of the organization of the Presbytery of French Broad and cordially welcomes the new laborer in the vineyard of our Lord. "Holding the same precious common confession, sharing the same glorious history and tradition, organized under the same simple and scriptural church polity, striving together for the faith once delivered to the saints — the faiths of the covenant." The elder extends its hand in greeting to the younger sister and joins with it in "Pledging each other fraternal prayers for spiritual

blessings and loving fraternal
cooperation" in the Lord's work
among our neglected kindred of these
mountain land.

To the end that
Paper to French Broad Pres. — harmonious cooperation may
be secured the Presbytery of Asheville
requests the Presbytery of French Broad
to appoint a committee of three to
meet and confer with a like
committee from its own body;
con- the joint committee thus constituted
tinued — to be directed to prepare and submit
to the Presbyteries for final action
a plan for effective and fraternal
cooperation, especially along the
lines of educational and evangelistic work. So may both "drain
pain good works for necessary uses
that they be not unfruitful."

Grace be with you all. Amen

The above communication
to the Presbytery of French Broad was
adopted by the Presbytery of Asheville in
session at Hendersonville, N. C. May 8th, 1899
and ordered to be forwarded by Stated Clerk.

Asheville, N. C.
June 6, 1899.

Presbytery met in Dr. Campbell's
study according to adjournment
at 8-30 P.M. and was called to order by
J. D. Murphy, Moderator, and constituted with
prayer.

Roll Call — Roll was called and the following
found to be present
Ministers — R. F. Campbell, D.D. A. C. Caldwell,
J. B. Cochran and E. MacDavis
Elders — J. B. Shope, Southside Ch.
J. D. Murphy, Asheville 1st Ch.

Rev. E. MacDavis was appointed tem-
porary clerk.

Rev. C. C. Weller of the Presbytery
of Butte, N. D. A. was introduced and
invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Holladay's Request — A request from Rev. J. M. Holladay
was presented asking to be dismissed
to Presbytery of Montgomery. Request was
granted and Stated Clerk ordered to send
him a letter of dismission.

Rev. J. B. Cochran offered his resig-
nation, Churches concurring, as pastor

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of Murphy and Hayesville Chs. The request was granted and Stated Clerk was directed to write the sessions and call their attention to the irregularity in their communications not being certified by the moderators of the meetings.

Cochran's Resignation.

Adjourned until 10 A. M. June 7.

Wednesday June 7.

Presbytery met at 10 A. M. in Dr. Campbell's study, and was opened with prayer.

Weller rec'd.

Rev. A. C. Weller presented a letter of dismissal from the Presbytery of Butte of the Presbyterian Ch. of U. S. A., and after due examination, was received and enrolled as a member of Presbytery.

Sample appt. Evangelist

The Home Mission Com. recommended that Rev. E. A. Sample be sent for one year as evangelist of Macon County with full powers.

This recommendation was received and adopted.

Minutes read and approved. Pres. adjourned with usual form.

E. A. Sample S. C.

E. MacDavis Tem. Clk.

Examined and approved at the meeting of Synod at Asheville N.C. Oct. 12, 1899.

Wm. Black,
Moderator.

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Dillsboro, N. C.

The Presbytery of Asheville met pursuant to adjournment in Dillsboro church at 7-30 P.M. And after a sermon by Rev. F. D. Hunt from Gen. 5:24 was called to order and constituted with prayer by Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D. the last moderator present.

The roll was called and the following found to be present.

Ministers — E. A. Temple
J. T. Wade
R. F. Campbell, D.D.
J. L. Dicker
E. MacDavis
M. Caldwell
A. Walker White
H. R. Overcash
F. D. Hunt.

Elders — J. V. Brown, 1st Ch. Asheville
Jas. J. Osborne, Mills River
L. T. Williams, Hendersonville
N. H. Faucette, Weaverville

Elders (con) N. S. Ferrell, Bethel
A. T. Summey, Smithside
A. M. Fry, Bryson City
N. L. DeWitt, Dillsboro
S. F. Venable, Oak Forest
N. P. Rankin, Franklin
Geo. Gray, Morrison
E. L. Hagle, Centre.

Rev. M. Caldwell was chosen moderator, and Rev. F. D. Hunt temp. clk.

The following report on devotional exercises was adopted —

1. That the hour for holding the sessions of the Presbytery be 9 A.M. to 11 A.M. 3 P.M. to 5 P.M. 7-30 P.M. to adjourn at will of Presbytery.

2. That Rev. H. R. Overcash preach tomorrow at 11 A.M.

3. That the popular meeting in the interest of Home Missions be held tomorrow at 7-30 P.M.

4. That Rev. J. T. Wade preach Saturday at 11 A.M.

5. That the popular meeting in the interest of Foreign Missions be held Sat. 7-30 P.M.

A. Walker White } Com.
N. L. DeWitt

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Adjourned with prayer by Moderator until 9 A. M. tomorrow.

Friday 9 A. M.

Presbytery met and after devotional exercises conducted by Rev. E. MacDavis resumed business.

Rev. L. P. Boyle of M. E. Ch. South was introduced to Presbytery and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Minutes of the last regular and the adjourned meetings were approved.

The Moderator appointed following committees —

Bills & Overtures	R. F. Campbell, D.D.
	J. T. Wade
	A. T. Summey
Doctrinal Sermon	T. D. Hunt
	R. P. Rankin
Leave of Absence	H. R. Duncan
	R. S. Terrell
Auditing	Jas. J. Osborne
	R. H. Fauntle
Minutes of Genl Assbly	R. F. Campbell
	S. F. Venable
Sabbath Schools	J. T. Wade
	J. V. Brown

Systematic Beneficence	A. Walker White
	G. N. Gray
Colored Evangelization	H. R. Duncan
	E. L. Slagle
Bible Cause & Colportage	E. MacDavis
	L. T. Williams
Narrative	E. MacDavis
	A. T. Summey

Home Missions committee instructed to bring in nominations for all permanent committees provided for in the Manual.

A communication from French Broad Presbytery received and referred to com. on Bills & Overtures, except the part as to Elders & Deacons Institute, which was put into the hands of the com. on the Institute.

A. M. Fry, elder from Bryson City ch. appeared in Presbytery, excused for tardiness, and enrolled.

Communication from Rev. A. Rowbotham was read, giving his excuse for absence, and asking that the Stated Clerk be empowered to grant him a letter of dismissal when the way is clear to

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ask for such a letter.

The Stated clerk was instructed to write Bro. Rosenbaum that his application for a letter can come up in a regular way when he desires it.

A call from Drills River ch. for Rev. H. R. Orncash read and put on docket.

Treasurer of Presbytery instructed to pay $50., our indebtedness to Synod.

J. D. Murphy reported through Dr. Campbell his inability to secure special rates over the R. R. for this meeting.

Order was taken to organize a colored church at Dillsboro before adjournment of Presbytery.

Order taken to hear today Home Mission report at 7-30 P.M.

Rev. R. T. Campbell was excused from preaching the doctrinal sermon because the S.Clk. had failed to notify him of his appointment.

Standing order for Presbyterian Communion to be celebrated on second day of

Presbytery was suspended for this time, and order taken for it to be observed next Sabbath after 11 o'clock service.

The following churches were excused for not being represented at spring meeting of Presbytery — Bryson City, Dillsboro, Oak Forest, Franklin, Morrison, and Centre.

Recess until 3 P.M.

3 P.M.

The call from Drills River ch. for Rev. H. R. Orncash was taken from docket, placed in his hands, and he was granted permission to hold the same until the adjourned meeting to be held during Synod. Terms of the call $200. per annum, in quarterly payments, and use of Manse, for one-half his time.

Report of auditing com. on Treasurer's Ac. be received and approved.

Commission to organize a ch. at Barnardsville reported progress, and was continued.

Commission to organize at Bristol and Little River reported nothing done, and the

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matter was docketed to be considered at adjourned meeting at Synod.

Rev. E. A. Sample made a verbal report of the work at Round Top, and at his request the matter was turned over to Rev. H. R. Overcash.

Committee on Elders' and Deacons' Institute made following report, which was received and approved

To the Presbytery of Asheville

The committee appointed at the spring meeting to arrange for an Elders' and Deacons' Institute beg leave to make the following report:

After several meetings at which all arrangements for holding an Institute were completed, the Institute was held at Oak Forest ch. Aug. 16th, 17th, 18th.

The following programme was carried out. First day, Aug. 16th.

Devotional exercises, E. MacDavis.
Address of Welcome, Rev. H. R. Overcash.
Response for Elders — Jas. J. Osborne.
Response for Ministers Rev. E. A. Sample.

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Talks about the Institute:
"Is it needed?" J. D. Murphy.
"Its Past." Rev. H. C. Caldwell
"Its Opportunities" S. F. Incable
"Its Methods" Rev. F. D. Hunt
Address: "The Holy Spirit: His Personality" Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D.

Afternoon.

Devotional Exercises, Rev. E. A. Sample.
"The Eldership, Scripturally and Historically Considered." Rev. R. F. Campbell for Rev. A. Walker D.D.
"The Deacon, his Office & Work," Rev. H. C. Caldwell.
"Presbyterian Church Government," Rev. E. MacDavis.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. R. P. Smith.

Second day, Aug. 17.

Devotional Exercises, D. M. Killian
"The Elder & Deacon & Personal Religious Work," Rev. D. S. Bean, D.D. of South Carolina.
"The Working Church," Maj. Robt. Bingham.
"Past and Present of Presbyterianism in Asheville Presbytery," Rev. R. F. Campbell for Rev. R. P. Smith.
Remarks on the work of French Broad Presbytery, Rev. Thos. Lawrence, D.D.
"The Holy Spirit: His Indwelling & Intercession," Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D.

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Afternoon.

Devotional Exercises, Rev. S. Q. Chandler of Texas

"The Elder & Deacon in Relation to the Prayer meeting".

S. F. Venable.

"The Sword of the Spirit," Rev. F. D. Hunt.

Adjourned with prayer.

Third day.

Devotional Exercises, D. Le Connell.

Discussion of the Topic: Pastoral Duties of the Elder.

"Relation of Elders & Deacons to the Sunday School and Societies of the church" J. D. Murphy

"Church Finances in Principle & Practice",

Rev. A. P. Smith.

"The Holy Spirit: First Fruits, Earnest & Seal".

Rev. R. T. Campbell, D. D.

After resolutions of sympathy for Rev. D. T. Fowler in the loss of his home by fire, and of thanks to the Oak Forest Congregation for its hospitality had been adopted, the Institute was adjourned with prayer and benediction by Rev. A. Walker White.

Rev. F. D. Hunt Chm. and Rev. H. Calhoun, Sec. of the Committee were chosen to act in the same capacity by the Inst.

The sessions were marked by great

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cordiality and harmony, and it is hoped that much good may result from the effect of papers & discussions.

The Institute directed the Sec. to address a communication to the Presbyteries of Asheville and French Broad requesting that each body at its fall meeting appoint a committee to meet with a like committee from the other to consider and prepare, if the way be clear, a plan for a joint institute next year, and to report to the Presbyteries at their spring meeting for final action.

There were enrolled: Ministers 8 - Elders 14 - Deacons 5; visitors: ministers 4 - officers 3 - total 34. There are 106 Elders & Deacons in the Presbytery, and we have all of their names and addresses.

From the above it will appear that not quite one fifth of them were in attendance. We regret the small attendance for the sake of those who were absent, for those present were much benefitted, and we trust that a much fuller attendance may be had next time.

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We are glad to report that all the expenses of the Institute have been paid and we have a balance of $6.39 in the hands of our Presbyterial Treas.

We recommend that the proper steps be now taken by the Presbytery for another Institute next year. Your committee having prepared the work assigned them, ask to be discharged.

Respectfully submitted,
Frank D. Hunt Chm.
Ale Caldwell Sec.
S. F. Venable
J. D. Murphy
T. S. Morrison

As recommended above the following committee was appointed to confer with a committee from Presbytery of French Broad, to consult and advise as to the holding of a joint institute by the two Presbyteries, and report the result of their deliberations to the next spring meeting of Presbytery — Rev. F. D. Hunt, Rev. A. Caldwell, S. F. Venable, and T. S. Morrison.

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Rev. J. G. Walker, Evangelist of the Independent colored Presbyterian Church, and member of Chester Presbytery, was introduced to Presbytery and invited to sit as a corresponding member.

The matter of the call of Bryson City Ch. to Rev. A. Walker White was referred to the Home Missions Com. with instructions to investigate and report at the adjourned meeting during Synod.

The report of Com. on Doctrinal Sermon suggested Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D. as principal, with Rev. J. T. Grade alternate, to preach next Spring, subject "The Perseverance of the Saints." Report adopted.

Rev. E. MacDavis offered the following which was adopted —

Resolved that the Presbytery of Asheville respectfully request the Assembly's Com. of Publication to publish Historical and Explanatory notes on the Shorter Catechism as a preface in future editions of that symbol.

Rev. R. F. Campbell offered the following paper which was received and adopted —

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Resolved that the Presbytery of Asheville cordially commends to our people the Presbyterian Standard as a Religious paper, enterprising and comprehensive in its news, varied and solid in its contributed matter, sound and vigorous in its editorial columns, a worthy organ of the great Synod of N. Carolina.

Burke church was selected as the place for next regular meeting Tuesday after 2nd Sabbath in April 1900, 7-30 P.M.

Trustees of Davidson College reported their inability to attend last meeting of Trustees. Report rec'd & approved

Resolved that the second order for Saturday morning be free conversation on the subject of Religion.

Report of Commission to install Rev. F. D. Hunt at Waynesville made following report which was received and adopted —

The commission met in the Waynesville Presbyterian ch. 1st Sabbath in June at 11 A.M. and proceeded to the installation of Rev. F. D. Hunt. Rev. E. MacDais preached the sermon Rev. A. Walker White presided, propounded the constitutional questions,

declared the relation established and charged the pastor; J. D. Murphy, Esq charged the people.

Recess until 7-30 P.M.

7-30 P.M.

As previously announced the report on Home Missions was made by the chm. Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D., which was received. And after several addresses and a collection of $9.40 was taken (the report was received) and the recommendations adopted.

1. Your committee would recommend that the churches receiving aid from the Presbytery be urged to advance towards the point of self support as rapidly as possible, in order that the funds in the hands of the committee may be used for the opening of new work.

2nd To contribute as liberally as possible to the cause of home missions, thus recognizing the fact that while they still need the fostering care of the Presbytery there are nearer fields to which they can extend a helping hand.

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The committee regrets to report to the Presbytery the serious illness of our efficient and beloved Evangelist Rev R. P. Smith, and recommend in view of his sickness 1st That the committee be empowered to employ some one to take his place until he shall be well enough to resume work. 2nd That at the close of this service the Presbytery be led in prayer by Bro Eskridge that God will sustain Bro. Smith and the members of his family in this sore trial, that it may be this will speedily be restore the health of our dear brother and be spare him for many years of usefulness in our master's service. 3rd That the Presbytery of Mecklenburg be earnestly requested to continue, and if possible increase, its appropriation to our work. That the Home Mission Committee be authorized to appoint some one to represent the cause of this Presbytery at the approaching meeting of Mecklenburg Pres.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev H. R. Overcash

Saturday 9 A. M.

After devotional exercises conducted by Licentiate L. E. Boston. Minutes of yesterday read & approved.

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Report of Home Missions Committee on nominations for the permanent Committees of Presbytery was made and adopted and is as follows

Home Missions and Education

Rev R. F. Campbell D. D. Chm H. M.
Rev S. C. Caldwell " Education
H. A. Blair, J. B. Shope, A. T. Summey,
T. S. Morrison, J. D. Murphy, J. D. Eggerton Jr.

Foreign Missions

Revs A. Walker White, H. R. Overcash & W. S. DeWitt.

Sabbath Schools

Rev J. T. Wade and S. T. Williams

Publication and Colportage

Rev E. MacDavis, H. K. Lockwood.

Colored Evangelization and Bible Cause

Rev. F. D. Hunt, J. D. Murphy.

Sessional Records

Rev H. R. Overcash and Rev A. Walker White.

Systematic Beneficence

Rev E. A. Sample, W. A. Blair, W. H. Fennell.

Historical

A. T. Summey, S. T. Venable, E. A. Sample.

Examination of Candidates

1 Rev E. MacDavis, S. T. Venable
2 Rev S. C. Caldwell, N. P. Rankin

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3 Rev A Walker White, J.D. Murphy
4 Rev R.F. Campbell D.D, Col Robt Bingham

A.T. Summey was appointed Treasurer pro tem.

Report of Commission to install Rev F.D. Hunt at Bethel Ch received and approved - viz

The Commission appointed to install Rev F D Hunt, Pastor of Bethel Church met as directed on the second Sabbath of June with all present. Rev J.L. Wicker preached the sermon, Rev H R Overcash presided, propounded the constitutional questions and charged the Pastor and Elder D M Killian charged the people.

Report of Rev R.F. Campbell D.D. Commissioner to Gen. Assembly made and his diligence commended.

The Committee on Minutes of the Gen Assembly in their report calls special attention to pp 411 to 413 which refers to Christian Education also to the recommendation of the Standing Com. on Foreign Missions to raise not less than $200.000 in the year ending March 31st 1900, as found on page 415.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures reported recommending that the Moderator appoint a Committee of three to meet and confer with the Committee appointed by French Broad Presbytery The Report was adopted and the following ~~Com~~ appointed

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Revs R.F. Campbell, R.R. Smith, Elder W.A. Blair

Report of Com. on Publication & Bible Cause. Received and approved.

Rev W.V. Hammond of the M.E. Church South was invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Second order of the day this a.m. on the free conversation on the subject of religion was made the first order this afternoon.

A report from Licentiate L.H. Query giving an account of his labors, received and approved.

The action in regard to the report of Foreign Missions was reconsidered and the time changed from 7.30 P.M. to 4 o'clock this afternoon

Presbytery took recess until 2.30 instead of 3. o'clock this afternoon

Saturday 2.30 P.M.

The statistical report to Synod presented by the S.C. approved and ordered forwarded.

The report is as follows. 1st 13 ministers. 20 Churches. 1 Licentiate. 3 Candidates. 1242 Communicants. and seventeen thousand, four hundred and sixty eight dollars. ($17,468.) aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31, 1899, being $4,640. more than was raised the year before. 2nd 149 Members were added to the churches during the year.

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(a) On Examination 98; (b) On certificate 51.
3rd 1 Licentiate received. 12 Ministers in charge of 20 chs.
8 Pastors; 1 Stated Supply; 3 Evangelists; 1 Licentiate;
1 Lady Foreign Missionary; $700. average salary paid ministers
4 Manses. Aggregate value $5.000; No minister or church
in one county - viz Graham.

The following paper was adopted, and Stated Clk
ordered to send a copy to Bro. Towles,

The Presbytery has heard, with great sorrow,
of the sad affliction of our venerable brother in
Christ, Rev D.T. Towles and his family in the
loss by fire, of their house and its contents.
We hereby express to them our deepest and
tenderest sympathy in the great trial which has
fallen upon them, and pray that the precious
promises of God's Word may be their strength.

In the midst of what is darkness to the
eye of flesh, may the eye of faith lay hold of
Rom. 8. 28th. so that their hearts may realize,
that our Father's purpose in it all is the ful-
fillment of Rom. 8. 29. in their conformity to
the image of Christ, we commend them to the
Comfort and Support of the Holy Spirit whose work
it is to comfort God's children in such trials
as this

The Presbytery adopted a paper looking towards

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building Bro Towles a house. all who are
willing to aid in the work to send to Rev
R.F. Campbell D.D. or W.A. Blair, Asheville, N.C.
their offerings for this purpose. The Treasurer was
directed to use for this purpose all the invalid
fund in his hands.

Rev A. Walker White made the following
report on Systematic Beneficence, which was adopted

17	Churches	contributed	to Presbytrial & Synodical Home Missions		$2,410.
6	"	"	to Assembly	"	" $74.00
14	"	"	" Foreign	"	982.00
4	"	"	" Publication & Colportage		14.00
7	"	"	" Education for Ministry		161.00
6	"	"	" Invalid Fund		55.00
—	"	"	" Christian Education		—
6	"	"	" Col & Evangelization		36.00
1	"	"	" Bible Cause		7.00
11	"	"	" Miscellaneous		846.00
			Total		$4,585.00

Being $305.00 more than was raised the year before,
Eighteen churches reported and 1 (Asheville 1st) of them
contributed to all the objects conducted by the church,
and 18 to one or more of them. Three churches made
no report. viz Hayesville, Centre, & Swannanoa.

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Committee on leave of absence reported that they have granted leave of absence to Elders A. McFry and S. F. Venable after the afternoon session and Elder James J Osborne after the evening session of the second day, also received excuse from Rev Arthur Rowbotham for not attending this meeting, which we consider satisfactory - adopted.

Rev J. T. Wade presented a proper recommending a vote of thanks to the people of Dillsboro for their kind hospitality & this paper was adopted and ordered to be read from the pulpit during the morning service tomorrow

The order of the day was taken up - very free conversation on the subject of religion & a verbal report from most of the Churches was made.

Devotional committee for spring meeting of Presbytery. Rev F. D. Hunt & Elder W. P. Terrell.

Application for the organization of a Colored Church in Jackson County was presented & the request granted. It was ordered that when we adjourn to day, we adjourn to meet to-morrow at 3 P.M at the place for the organization of the Colored Church, and leave is hereby granted to such members as feel obliged to go home this afternoon, to do so.

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Rev A. Walker White made the following report on Foreign Missions which was received & adopted. Your agent of F.M. would report calling the attention of Presbytery to the action of our last Assembly as found on page 415 par 2. and page 416 pars 4 & 7.

In view of this action of the Assembly & the needs thus revealed we would recommend

1st That our Pastors & Sessions be urged to prayerfully & carefully consider ways & means whereby our people may be brought to take a great step in advance in the F.M. work, that we may meet the obligations resting upon us in this great work

2nd That our Pastors & Sessions be urged to continue their efforts to place our missionary literature in every family that our people may be fully informed about the work that their sympathy & interest may be more fully enlisted.

The following resolution in regard to the ladies societies in the Presbytery, was adopted. Resolved: that the Committee of Foreign Missions be instructed to investigate & report at the next spring meeting, as to how many ladies societies are in the Presbytery

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with the names of their presidents & secretaries with the view of organizing a Presbyterial union of these societies, if the way be clear.

Adjourned until to-morrow at 3 P.M. with prayer by Rev R. F. Campbell. D.D.

Sunday 3 P.M.

Presbytery met near Mr Merriotts and was led in prayer by Maj N. P. Rankin.

The following petition was presented - We the undersigned colored citizens of Jackson County, N.C. wishing to identify ourselves with the Presbyterian Church, do hereby respectfully petition the Presbytery of Asheville to organize us into a Presbyterian Church, and to take such steps as Presbytery may deem wise for the uplifting of the colored population of this & surrounding counties - M. M. Wells. Alice Mingus, Margaret Love, Solomon Dorsey, Jane Rogers, B. F. Cathey, Dallas Gray, Lula Monroe, Mary Jane McDonald, Nancy Turk. Addie Potter.

After these persons had been examined on their faith in Christ by the Moderator, the church was organized in accordance with the book of church order. The election of officers was postponed. The church was then placed under the care of the white church at Dillsboro. The Moderator gave the members a short talk, explaining what the Pres.

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Church really believed, especially as to church polity.

After the reading & approval of the minutes Presbytery adjourned in due form to meet during Synod at the call of the Moderator

F. D. Hunt Temporary Clerk.

E. A. Sample S. C.

Adjourned Meeting

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Presbytery of Asheville met at call of the Moderator in the First Presbyterian Ch. and was opened with prayer by the Mod.

Present –

Ministers. E. A. Sample. H. R. Overcash. J T Wade. E. Mac. Davis. J L Wicker. F. D. Hunt. O. C. Weller. S. C. Caldwell. R F Campbell. D.D.

Elders – L C Neill. Davidson River
" D. M. Killian. Waynesville
" B. R. Flakes Asheville 1st
" Jas J Osborne. Mills River
" L. T. Williams Hendersonville

A Communication from Dr. Rumple. Chm of the trustees of Davidson College read and received as information.

Rev S. C. Caldwell tendered his resignation as pastor of the Hendersonville Church. and the Church concurring the request was granted. and the relation dissolved.

Rev A Walker White declined the call from Bryson City Church and it was ordered that the Stated Clerk return said call.

Rev O. C. Weller was dismissed to the Presbytery of Cincinnatti.

The following order was taken for the

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installation of Rev H. R. Overcash over the Mills River Church on the 2nd Sunday of November 1899 at 11" a.m. Rev S. C. Caldwell to preach the sermon. preside and propound the constitutional questions. Rev J. L. Wicker to charge the pastor and Elder J D Murphy the people. Rev F D Hunt alternate for either.

Rev R. F. Campbell. D.D. objected the action of Mecklenburg Presbytery in proposing to give to the Asheville Presbytery for three successive years $1000. and Rev S. C. Caldwell was appointed a committee to draft a proper resolution to be sent to Mecklenburg Pres. in our appreciation of the above action and report at the adjourned meeting during Synod.

The Treasurer W. A. Blair was directed to pay Rev A. G. Walker. five dollars out of any Presbyterial funds on hands unappropriated

The order taken at Dillsboro directing the Treasurer of Presbytery to appropriate the money on hands in the Invalids Fund. towards building a house for Rev D. T. Fowler was revoked and the same to be forwarded to the Assembly's Committee.

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Commission to organize Churches at Boilston and Little River continued and Rev S.C. Caldwell substituted for Rev E.A. Sample on said commission.

Minutes read and approved and Presbytery adjourned with prayer subject to call of Mod during Synod

F. D. Hunt, Temporary Clerk
E.A. Sample, S.C.

Adjourned Meeting

Friday, Oct 13th 1899

According to adjournment the Presbytery of Asheville met in the First Pres. Ch of Asheville and was called to order and led in prayer by Rev S.C. Caldwell, Moderator.

Ministers Present - E.A. Sample, H.R. Moreach, J.T. Wade, E. Mac. Davis, J.L. Wicker, F.D. Hunt S.C. Caldwell and Rev R.F. Campbell, D.D.

Elders Present - D.M. Killian, Waynesville
" " L.C. Mill Davidson River
" " B.R. Hakes Asheville 1st
" " Jas J. Osborne, Mills River
" " L.T. Williams Hendersonville

The following paper was presented by Rev S.C. Caldwell.

The Presbytery of Asheville to Pres. of Mecklenburg - Greeting:

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Dear Brethren:-

We desire to express to the Mother Presbytery our deep appreciation of the continued parental love and fostering care manifested by her in not only extending for another period of three years, but also increasing her original contribution to our mission work. Hearts are warmed and hands made strong for labor in the Master's vineyard, by this evidence of your sympathy and helpfulness of spirit. May the God of all grace grant you peace in all your borders and prosperity in all your Churches: May He return to you with usury all that you may put into His treasury for the extension of His empire over the hearts and lives of our Mountain Kindred.

Adopted and ordered sent to the Presbytery of Mecklenburg.

Presbytery declined the proposition to join with Concord and Mecklenburg Presbyteries in control of certain property offered.

The Home Missions Committee was empowered to raise the salary and employ an evangelist for Presbytery.

Rev S.C. Caldwell was instructed to visit Andrews Church and investigate matters & report

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to Home Missions Com. as soon as possible.

Minutes read and approved and Pres adjourned with prayer by Rev R.T. Campbell, D.D. to meet at Bethel Church on Tuesday after the 2nd Sabbath in April 1900 at 7.30 P.M.

F. D. Hunt Temporary Clerk
E. A. Sample S.C.

Called Meeting.

Asheville N.C. Nov. 28th 1899.

The Presbytery of Asheville met pursuant to the call of the Moderator Rev S.C. Caldwell, in the pastor's study of the 1st Church, Asheville NC on Tuesday Nov 28th 1899 at 3.30 P.M. was called to order by the Mod and was constituted with prayer by Elder A.T. Summey.

The roll was called and the following persons were found to be present.

Ministers. S.C. Caldwell, R.T. Campbell, H.R. Overcash & Elder A.T. Summey of South Side Ch.

Rev H.R. Overcash was appointed Temporary Clerk

The call was read, viz:-

The Constitutional requirements being met, I hereby call a meeting of the Presbytery of Asheville to be held in the study of the pastor

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of the 1st Pres Ch. Asheville, on Tuesday Nov 28th 1899 at 3.30 P.M. to consider and take action upon the following matters of business.-

1st To receive, consider and take action upon the resignation of Rev J.L. Wicker of the Pastoral office in the churches of Brevard and Davidson's River

2nd To dismiss Rev J.L. Wicker to unite with the Presbytery of Orange

Rev S.C. Caldwell, Mod.

The request of Rev J.L. Wicker was presented with letters from the churches of Brevard and Davidson's River concurring, and the pastoral relation existing between Rev J.L. Wicker and the above churches was dissolved.

The action taken by the churches not being in proper form - the stated Clerk was instructed to write them and call their attention to the irregularity

H.R. Overcash, Tem. Clk.
E. A. Sample S.C.

Called Meeting

Asheville, Jan. 16th 1900.

The Presbytery of Asheville met pursuant to call in the pastor's study of 1st Ch Asheville and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator Rev S.C. Caldwell.

The following were present -

Revs S.C. Caldwell, R.T. Campbell, H.R. Overcash & S.T. Venable from Oak Forest Church. Rev H.R. Overcash was appointed Clerk.

The following Call was read

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The constitutional requirements having been met,

I hereby call a meeting of Presbytery of Asheville to be held in the study of the pastor of 1st Ch Asheville, on Tuesday Jan. 16th at 3.30 P.M. to consider and take action on the following matters of business if the way be clear.

1st To dismiss Rev Arthur Rowbotham to the Presbytery of Roanoke

2nd To receive Rev J.W. Siler from the Presbytery of Mecklenburg and take order for his installation over the Hendersonville Church.

S.C. Caldwell Mod.

A request for the dismission of Rev A. Rowbotham to the Presbytery of Roanoke was

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presented and on motion the request was granted.

The letter dismissing Rev J.W. Siler from Pres of Mecklenburg was read and after examination he was received into the Pres of Asheville. A call from the Hendersonville Church for Rev J.W. Siler at a salary of $500 per annum, and use of the manse, was presented, placed in his hands and accepted, and the following order taken for his installation on the 2nd Sunday in Feb at 7.30 P.M.

Rev S.C. Caldwell to preach the sermon, preside & propound the constitutional questions. Rev H.R. Overcash to charge the pastor. & Elder J.D. Murphy the people.

Minutes read and approved. Presbytery adjourned in due form to meet at Bethel Church on the 10th day of April 1900. 7.30 P.M.

H.R. Overcash Tem Clerk

E.A. Sample S.C.

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Bethel, N.C.

The Presbytery of Asheville met with the Bethel Church April 10th at 8 P.M. and was opened with a sermon by Rev S.C. Caldwell, on text John 14:6.

Presbytery was constituted with prayer, and roll was called and following were noted present.

Ministers - E.A. Sample, J.T. Wade, R.F. Campbell D.D.(2) A Walker White, F.D. Hunt, H.R. Overcash, S.C. Caldwell, E MacDavis, J.W. Siler.

Elders - W.A. Blair, Asheville 1st ch
D.J. Brown, Waynesville "
A.J. Osborn, Bethel "
L.T. Williams, Hendersonville "
G.M. Billain, Mills River "
L.C. Neill Davidson River "
M.J. Orr Brevard "
W.L. DeWitt, Dillsboro "

Rev A. Walker White, was elected as Moderator, and Rev J.W. Siler Temporary Clerk. Committee of Arrangements, Rev. T.D. Hunt, Chairman, made a report

which was adopted and is as follows

1st That the hours for the daily sessions be from 9 a.m. to 12 m. from 1.30 PM to 4.30 P.M. and from 7.30 P.M. ad libitum

2nd That there be preaching each day at 11 a.m. on Wednesday by Rev E MacDavis, Thursday the Doctrinal Sermon by Rev R.F. Campbell D.D.

3rd That Rev Jesse W. Siler preach Wednesday night and after the sermon the Lords Supper to be administered by Revs J.T. Wade and E.A. Sample.

4th That on Friday night the popular meeting in behalf of Foreign Missions to be presided over by Rev A. Walker White Presbytery's agt of F.M, and on Thursday night the meeting in behalf of Home Missions to be presided over by Rev R.F. Campbell D.D. Presbytery's Chairman of H.M.C.

Presbytery adjourned with prayer till to-morrow at 9 a.m.

Wednesday, Apr. 11th 9 a.m.

Presbytery convened at 9 a.m. and devotional exercises were conducted by

the Moderator.

Roll was called, and the minutes of last night's session were read and approved.

J. J. Boron, Elder from Waynesville, was enrolled. Commission to organize Preston Church, S. C. Caldwell, Chm. made a report, which was adopted and Preston Church was enrolled. Report is as follows-

On Dec 5th 1899. pursuant to appointment the Commission met at the Church, Present. Revs J. S. Wicker, S. C. Caldwell and Ruling Elder M. J. Orr. Rev R. F. Campbell D.D. being absent. Rev. S. C. Caldwell was elected Chairman.

After divine service conducted by Mr Caldwell, the way being clear, the Church was duly organized and the following officers were elected and installed:

Ruling Elders J. J. Osborne, Paul Woodfin:

Deacons Carl Woodfin, George Neil: the last named being absent was not ordained and installed. Respectfully submitted

S. C. Caldwell, Chm.

Commission to organize a church at Barnardsville, Rev S. C. Caldwell made a report, which was adopted

and "Jennie Spear Memorial" Church was enrolled. Report is as follows:

On November the 19th 1899. pursuant to appointment the Commission met at the Academy. Present- Revs E. MacDavis, S. C. Caldwell and Ruling Elder W. H. Jarrett. After divine service, the way being clear the Church was organized. The following officers were elected:- Ruling Elders, T. S. Dillingham, W. A. Cole, W. G. Hensley: Deacons, C. C. Greenwood, M. T. Ray. The ordination and installation of the officers was postponed.

S. C. Caldwell, Chm.

The Minutes of last regular meeting and intervening meeting were read and approved. The Moderator appointed the following Committees.

Bills and Overtures- Rev S. C. Caldwell, L. C. Neil.

Auditing- W. L. DeWitt, L. T. Williams

Doctrinal Sermon- Rev J. W. Siler.

Leave of Absence- F. D. Hunt & A. J. Osborn

Nominations- A. R. Overcast & J. M. Britain

Narrative- E. MacDavis & M. J. Orr

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Minutes of Synod – A. Walker White, A. J. Osborn.
Sessional Records – H. R. Overcash & J. J. Brown
Systematic Beneficence – E. A. Sample & W. A. Blair

Roll of absentees read and referred to Committee on Leave of Absence.

Commission to install Rev H. R. Overcash at Mills River made the following report:–

Commission to install Rev H. R. Overcash as Pastor of Mills River Church respectfully reports that it discharged that duty on the second Sunday of November 1899. at 11 A.M. Rev S. C. Caldwell preached, presided, propounded the constitutional questions, and, in the absence of Rev J. S. Wicker, delivered the charge to the Pastor: Ruling Elder J. D. Murphy the charge to the people.

S. C. Caldwell, Chm.

A call from Davidson's River Church for Rev W. H. Davis for half time, at a salary of $250 in quarterly payments. was referred to a Committee, consisting of Revs J. W. Siler, S. C. Caldwell & W. A. Blair.

The ~~report~~ of Trustees of Davidson College was read and received as information.

A letter from Rev D. T. Fowler was read and received as information.

Paper from Secretary of assembly's Com. on Publication & Colportage was read and received as information.

Paper from J. B. Shearer, D.D. in regard to Church & Christian Education – was read and received as information

Ruling Elder W. L. DeWitt appeared and was enrolled from Dillsboro church.

The Committee to confer with Com. from Presbytery of French Broad in regard to E & D Institute, Rev F. D. Hunt, Chairman, made a report which was received and adopted. as follows:–

To the Presbytery of Asheville:

Your Committee appointed to confer with a like Comm. from the Presbytery of French Broad (N.A) would respectfully report that a joint meeting for Conference was held in Asheville on the 14th day of March 1900. There was present of your Comm. Rev Frank D. Hunt & Elder S. T. Venable, and from the other Presbytery Revs Thomas Lawrence & C. A. Duncan.

It was unanimously decided that each Comm. report to its Presbytery recommending 1st That we deem it advisable and

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desirable to hold a joint Elders & Deacons Institute of the two Presbyteries.
2nd That each Presbytery appoint a Committee of three, to compose a joint Committee, to make all arrangements, issue call, select time and place and prepare programme for such an institute sometime this summer

Frank D. Hunt }
S F Venable } Comm.

Presbytery took recess till 1.30 P.M.

Afternoon Apr. 11th

Presbytery convened at 1.30 P.M.

Treasurer of Presbytery H A Blair read his report, which was received and put into the hands of Auditing Comm.

Commissioners to the General Assembly were elected as follows:-

Principals	Alternates
Rev J. T. Wade	Rev H R Overcash
D M Killian	L. T. Williams

Brevard was chosen as the next place of meeting and Rev J. W. Siler and Elder Orr were appointed a Comm. to suggest a time

Committee on Call of Davidson River,

for Rev W. H. Davis, Rev S. C. Caldwell, Chm. made a report which was adopted and is as follows:

The committee to which the call of Davidson River church for the pastoral services of Rev W. H. Davis was referred, begs leave to report:-
1st That it finds the call in order and recommends that it be put in the hands of the stated clerk to be delivered to Mr Davis should he call for it. 2nd That Presbytery express its regret at the sundering of the group of the two churches of Brevard and Davidson's River, which this call seems to make necessary: and that it cannot see its way clear to promise Mr Davis any other work within its bounds.
3rd That the stated clerk be instructed to forward a copy of these resolutions to Mr Davis.

S. C. Caldwell. }
J. W. Siler, } Com.
H. A. Blair }

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Committee on Doctrinal Sermon, Rev J.W. Siler, Chm, made a report which was adopted and is as follows:-

Your Committee on Doctrinal Sermon for next meeting would respectfully recommend that Rev F.D. Hauck, with Rev E. MacDavis as alternate, preach the sermon, and the subject. "Christ our Penal Substitute".

Presbytery took recess till 7:30 P.M.

Evening Session

Presbytery convened at 7:30 P.M. and after Divine Service and the celebration of the Lords Supper, the Pres was called to order. Rev R.F. Caldwell D.D. was enrolled.

Presbytery adjourned with prayer till tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Thursday 9. a.m.

Presbytery convened and devotional exercises conducted by Rev Caldwell.

Historical Comm. A.F. Summey Chm. made a report which was received and approved and Comm. continued.

Report on Young Peoples Societies adopted and ordered forwarded to General Assembly.

Minutes of yesterdays session were read & approved.

Certain papers from the Brevard Church were referred to the Home Missions Committee.

Committee on time of next meeting, and Minister to remain over Sunday, made a report which was adopted and is as follows - Your Comm. would recommend, Tuesday Feb. 9th 1900 at 7:30 P.M. and that Rev F.D. Hauck be appointed to remain over Sunday.

J.W. Siler. Chm.

A committee was appointed on Elders & Deacons Institute as follows: Rev F.D. Hauck Chm. Rev J.W. Siler and Ruling Elder S.F. Venable.

The Stated Clerk presented his report on Statistics to General Assembly. He was authorized to complete same & forward to G.A.

A Committee on Devotional Exercises for next Stated Meeting was appointed as follows: Ruling Elders, M.J. Orr & T.S. Boswell.

The Home Missions Committee was authorized to call on each minister of Pres. for one weeks service in evangelistic labor during the summer.

The Committee on Nominations, Rev H.R. Overcash Chm. made a report which

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was approved and is as follows:-

Committee on Home Missions & Education

Rev R.F. Campbell, Chm. H. M. C

Rev S.C. Caldwell, Chm. Education

Rev J.W. Siler. Elders A.T. Summey, J.B. Shope, W.A. Blair, T.S. Morrison, J.D. Eggleston and Rev R.R. Smith, Res Evangelist, Ex. officio

Foreighn Missions

Revs J.W. Siler & H.P. Overcash & Elder W.S. DeWitt

S School, Pub. & Colportage

Rev J.F. Wade & Elder S.T. Williams.

Colored Evangelization

Rev F.D. Hunt. Elder J.D. Murphy

Bible Cause

Rev E. MacDavis, Elder H.N. Lockwood.

Sessional Records

Revs H.P. Overcash & J.W. Siler

Systematic Benevolence & Ministerial Support

Rev E.A. Sampley, Elders W.A. Blair & J.J. Brown.

Exam. of Candidates for the Ministry

(1) Revs E. MacDavis & J.F. Wade

(2) Rev S.C. Caldwell. N.A. Rankin

(3) Rev J.W. Siler & J.D. Murphy

(4) Rev R.F. Campbell & Col. Wm Bingham

Respectfully Submitted

H.P. Overcash Chm.

The Sabbath Schools were urged to take a Monthly collection for the Orphans Home, Barnum Springs.

The Auditing Comm. made a report which was approved, and is as follows:

Your Comm. to whom was referred the Treasurer's Repot, have examined his report and find it correct.

H.L. DeWitt, Chm.

Committee on Narrative, Rev E. MacDavis, Chm. made a report which was approved and ordered forwarded to G.A.

Pres took recess till 11 o'clock.

Presbytery convened at above time, and the Doctrinal Sermon was preached by Rev R.F. Campbell D.D. Subject - "Final Perseverance of the Saints." Text Jno 10:27 to 29.

Presbytery took recess till 1:30 P.M.

Presbytery convened at 1:30 P.M.

The Motion fixing Friday night for considering the Foreighn Missions was reconsidered and the order was rescinded.

The Committee on Systematic Benevolence Elder W.A. Blair, Chm. made a report which was received and adopted and ordered forwarded to the General Assembly and

is as follows:

To Your Committee on Systematic Beneficence beg leave to report that:—

1	15	Churches	Contributed	To Foreign Missions	1280.25
2	10	"	"	" Pres. Home "	1732.82
3	7	"	"	" Syn " "	212.90
4	9	"	"	" Invalid Fund	37.13
5	9	"	"	" Colored Evangelization	83.91
6	7	"	"	" Education	149.19
7	6	"	"	" Publication	18.76
8	5	"	"	" Church & Manse	90.88
9	4	"	"	" Assembly HM	30.27
10				" Church & Chris Edn.	5.34
				Total	3581.45
					173.94
					4755.39

Bible Cause $19.70 — Church Erection $1091.19, 19.70. Synodical Orphans Home 63.05 $43.65 $1173.94

being $1703.9 more than was raised the year before. 12 Churches reported as having contributed to one or more benevolent objects.

The Committee on Sessional Records, H R Overcash Chm. made a report which was received and adopted.

Committee on Sabbath Schools. Rev J W Wade Chm. made a report which was received and approved, and ordered forwarded to General Assembly.

The Committee on Foreign Missions Rev A Walker White. Chm, made its annual report, which was received and adopted and is as follows:-

1st That our Ministers & Elders be urged to make earnest prayerful effort to increase the missionary spirit among our people 2nd That the monthly Missionary Concert for prayer be observed where practical. 3rd That all the sessions of our Church consider the advisability of setting apart certain days for collections for Foreign Missions in their Sabbath Schools.

At his own request, Rev A. Walker White was granted a letter of dismission to Concord Presbytery.

Committee on Education Rev S.C. Caldwell Chm. made a report which was received and adopted, and is as follows:

The agt for Education begs leave to present the following report:-

The two candidates, Messrs J B Hyatt and J. B Holcomb, who were taken under the care of Presbytery at the Fall Session of 1898, having indefinitely suspended their preparation for the ministry, it is recommended that Presbytery drop them from

its list of candidates. Mr Wm P. Chedister is still pursuing his course at Davidson College, and his reports indicate a commendable progress in his work.

Mission Schools have been conducted in several of our fields, during the summer mos of 1899: viz- at Ivy, Madison County, by Miss Urbie Myrover of Fayetteville.

At Democrat, Buncombe Co, by Miss Bessie Black of Sampson Co.

At Dillingham by Miss Mary L Allison of Hopewell, N.C.; at Short Off, Macon Co. by Miss Catherine Jarrell of Knoxville Tenn. at Highlands by Miss Ellie Vickery of Statesville N.C. At Horse Cove, Macon Co. by Miss Elizabeth Tucker of Concord N.C. These schools were conducted without expense to Presbytery.

A school was conducted for several months at Andrews, by Miss May Rinaldi of Waynesville - but was suspended in Oct. on account of the severity of the season.

Under the care of Rev A Walker White a school of high grade, in which two teachers were employed was conducted at Dillsboro, from Oct 1899 to March 1900.

A neat school building has been erected at Robbins primarily as the home of the interesting Westminster Mission, but arrangements have been made for the establishment of a day school under the Modest Missionary.

The Ladies Missionary Society of Charlotte 2nd Ch has generously promised to aid in its support.

The 1st Ch of Wilmington has kindly donated a number of chairs for this school.

A beautiful and convenient school building has been erected at Pahu, on Pines Creek in Haywood Co. work will be begun here as soon as arrangements have been completed. Mr Walter McSmith, a noble christian Merchant of N.Y. city has given a handsome bell to this mission, and has promised a generous aid in its support. The need of mission schools in all our rural fields is great.

If we are to lay broad & deep foundations for our church in these regions it must be done largely

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through the agency of the school.

Church services held only once or twice a month will be comparatively barren of results, if the lessons then taught are not reinforced and deepened by the daily life and instructions of the Christian teacher. Our Ministers and sessions are affectionately and earnestly urged to use all possible efforts for the establishment of such schools at the strategic points of their fields.

Committee on Minutes of Synod. Rev J. T. Wade, Chm. made a report which was received and adopted.

It was decided to hold an adjourned meeting in Asheville, April 17 at 4 P.M.

It was decided that Presbytery elect a Moderator to serve between this and next meeting, inasmuch as the moderator has been dismissed to another Presbytery. Rev J. H. Siler was elected to this office.

Presbytery took recess until 7:30 P.M.

Presbytery convened at above time, and a popular meeting was held in the interest of Home Missions. The Comm. on H.M. Rev R. F. Campbell Chm. made a report

which was approved and its recommendations adopted-

1st Grouping and appropriation:

(1) Murphy, Hayesville & Andrews $350
(2nd) Boyson City and Dillsboro 375
(3rd) Franklin, Morrison & Center 400
(4) Mills River, Medway & Preston - amount of appropriation to be determined later by the Committee.
(5th) Swannanoa, Oak Forest & Inanda - appropriation left to the discretion of the Committee.
(6th) Hendersonville 200
(7) Highlands 200
(8) Saffline 300

2nd That the Churches receiving aid from the funds of the Presbytery be urged to move forward as rapidly as possible to the point of self support, in order that the resources of the Presbytery may be available for work in new & destitute fields

3rd That the churches be urged to contribute to all the benevolent causes, and that Pastors & Sessions, be directed to order collections to be taken on every sabbath on which religious worship is held.

4th That the Treasurers of the churches be directed to send all moneys for benevolent

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causes as promptly as possible to the Treasurer of the Presbytery.

5th The Home Missions Comm. is authorized to arrange for the supply of Davidson's River & Brevard field as soon as possible.

A Collection for H M was taken amounting to $7.16. A Resolution of thanks was adopted as follows: Resolved that we the Presbytery of Asheville, tender our most hearty and sincere thanks to the congregation of Bethel Church for the very kind and substantial hospitality extended to us while in this midst and that we pray God's most bountiful blessing to rest upon them, both in the church & in their homes. Resolved that this resolution be read from the pulpit of this church, at the next regular meeting

J. T. Wade, Prest.

Committee on leave of absence presented rept which was adopted and is as follows.

Excused Revs R. T. Campbell, H R Overcash, Elder W L DeWitt, J. J. Brown, for tardiness also excused Davidson's River & Brevard for failure to be represented at last meeting. Leave of absence was granted to W. A. Blair & J J Brown, after the afternoon session on Thursday.

Minutes were read and approved.

Bethel. N.C. Apr. 16th 1900

Presbytery adjourned with singing, prayer and the Apostolic benediction, to meet at Asheville 1st ch April 17th at 4 P.M.

Jesse H Siler. Temporary Clerk

A Walker White, Mod

E. A. Sampler

Stated Clerk

Adjourned Meeting

Asheville N.C. April 17th 1900.

Presbytery assembled pursuant to adjournment in the study of the Pastor of the Asheville 1st church at 4 P.M.

Present. Rev J. W. Siler, Mod. Rev E. A. Sample. Rev R. F. Campbell D.D. Rev H. R. Overcash Ruling Elder W. A. Blair. Rev S. C. Caldwell.

Rev S. C. Caldwell was elected Temporary Clk.

A letter of dismission from Mecklenburg Presbytery of Rev R. P. Smith was presented and after due examination, he was enrolled as a member of the Presbytery of Asheville.

Mr R. S. Eskridge a licentiate of Mecklenburg Presbytery and dismissed to the care of the Presbytery of Asheville was received under its charge.

Revs R. P. Smith, R. F. Campbell D.D., Ruling Elder W. A. Blair were appointed a committee to assign parts of trial for Mr Eskridge, preparatory to his ordination.

Presbytery interpreted the constitution to the effect that stated supplies have authority to moderate the sessions of their churches during their terms of service as stated supplies.

Stated Supplies were continued for the current ecclesiastical year.

Rev R. P. Smith was elected evangelist of Presbytery with full evangelistic powers, to labor under the directions of the Home Missions Comm.

Minutes read and approved.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet on the 19th June, 1900. at 3 30 P.M. in 1st church Asheville.

S. C. Caldwell.
Temporary Clerk

E A Sample
S.C

Asheville, N.C. June 19th 1900.

Presbytery met pursuant to adjournment in the 1st Presbyterian church at 4 P.M. Rev J. W. Siler Mod. in the chair. Presbytery was constituted with prayer by the Mod.

The roll was called and the following members found present:-

Ministers:-

Revs R. F. Campbell D.D. R. P. Smith, F. D. Hunt E. MacDavis. J. W. Siler, S. C. Caldwell.

Ruling Elders

W. A. Blair, Asheville 1st ch. J. B. Shuper Southside ch. W. L. DeWitt. Dillsboro.

A quorum being present Presbytery entered on discussion of business.

Rev S.C. Caldwell was appointed Clerk.

Licentiate D.M. Douglas was received on letter of dismissal from Presbytery of Bethel.

Licentiate T.W. DeVane was received on letter of dismissal from Presbytery of Orange.

Licentiates R.S. Eskridge, T.W. DeVane & D.M. Douglas being present and applying for ordination, the following order was taken:-

Moved: That the trials for ordination of these three Licentiates take the following course:

1st That the Moderator proceed at once to the examination on Experimental religion and motives for seeking the ministry.

2nd That the Presbytery then take recess till 8 30 P.M. to allow time for the committees on languages, arts and sciences, to conduct their examinations in private.

3rd That the Pres. convene at 8 30 P.M. to hear trial sermon of Licentiate Eskridge.

4th That Pres. meet at 9 30 A.M. Wednesday to continue examinations of the three Licentiates.

5th That Licentiates T.W. DeVane & D.M. Douglas preach their trial sermons Wednesday afternoon at 5 P.M. & clock.

6th That on Thursday at eleven A.M. the Pres. proceed to ordain Licentiates T.W. DeVane & D.M. Douglass to the Gospel ministry, if the way be clear.

7th That when Pres. adjourns on Thursday, it adjourn to meet at Swamanoa Ch on Sunday at 4 P.M. to ordain Licentiate R.S. Eskridge and to install him Pastor of the Swamanoa Ch. if the way be clear.

Moderator then examined the candidates for ordination on their experimental religion and motives for seeking the gospel ministry. The examinations were found satisfactory and sustained.

Rev R.P. Smith was made chairman of the Committee of examination on Ecclesiastical history and Rev F.D. Hunt of that on Church government. Rev S.C. Caldwell was appointed to preach the ordination sermon at the ordination of Mess Douglass & DeVane, on Thursday at 11 A.M. & Rev R.P. Smith, that at the ordination of Mr Eskridge at Swamanoa on Sunday afternoon. The trial sermon of Mr Eskridge was set for 8 30 P.M.

Recess was then taken until above time.

After recess, Pres. met at 8 30 and heard the trial sermon of Mr R.S. Eskridge from Matt. 20: 26-28. It was decided to postpone criticism until to-morrow. Adjourned with prayer till to-morrow at 9 30 A.M.

~~Swannanoa~~ Asheville, June 20th. 1900

Presbytery met at 9.30 A.M. and opened with devotional exercises by the Moderator Rev S.C. Caldwell: Rev J.W. Siler having been called home. Rev F.D. Hunt was appointed Clerk pro tem. Rev S.C. McClenaghan of the Pres of French Broad was invited to sit as corresponding member. Criticisms of the trial sermon of R.S. Eskridge were made, the roll being called to give each member an opportunity to express himself: after which this part of the trial was sustained.

Pres then proceeded with the examination of Licentiates R.S. Eskridge; D.M. Douglass & F.W. De Vane as follows:

1st Ecclesiastical History by Rev R.P. Smith and on motion this part of the trial was sustained. 2nd Church government, by Rev F.D. Hunt, and on motion this part of the trial was sustained. 3rd Theology & Sacraments, by Rev R.F. Campbell D.D. and this part was sustained.

Rev R.P. Smith was instructed to correspond with Rev W.H. Davis about the Davidsons River field (it being the judgment of the Presbytery that he Rev W.H. Davis should either accept or decline immediately. the call

extended to him by the Davidsons River church, since the work there is greatly hindered by this state of suspense)

The Home Mission Comm. requested that Mess Douglass & DeVane be ordained as Evangelists, if the way be clear: request granted.

A call from Swannanoa Church for the services of Rev R.S. Eskridge as pastor was found in order, placed in his hands and accepted by him. Rev F.D. Hunt & R.S. Eskridge were granted leave of absence after this morning session. Recess till 5 P.M.

Presbytery convened at the appointed hour 5 P.M. (Licentiate) F.W. DeVane preached a sermon from Heb. 4:16 and D.M. Douglass preached from Jno. 17:4. after criticisms were made by several members of Pres. The sermons were sustained as parts of trial.

Rev S.C. Caldwell Chm. of Comm. on Arts and sciences, made a report of examination on these subjects and recommended their approval, which was adopted.

Rev E. Mac Davis, Chm. of Comm. on Languages made a similar report, which was adopted.

On motion. The examinations & parts of trial were sustained as a whole.

The following order was taken for the ordination of Meps Douglass & DeVane as evangelists: Rev R P Smith to preside and propound the constitutional questions, Rev S C Caldwell to preach the sermon and Rev R F Campbell D D to deliver the charge. time tomorrow 11 a.m.

The following order was taken for the ordination and installation of Licentiate R S Eskridge at Swamanoa Ch, June 24th at 4 P.M. / Rev R P Smith to preach, preside and propound the constitutional questions, Rev R F Campbell to charge the pastor & Rev S C Caldwell to charge the people.

Adjourned with prayer by Elder J B Shope to meet to-morrow at 11 a.m.

June 21st 1900.

Presbytery met at 11 a.m. and was opened with prayer by Rev R P Smith. The order as prescribed at yesterdays session, was followed and T W DeVane and D M Douglass were ordained as evangelists "with the laying on of the hand of the Presbytery"

Adjourned with prayer by Rev D M Douglass to meet at Swamanoa Ch. June 24th 4 P.M.

Swamanoa June 24th 1900 4 P.M.

Presbytery met at Swamanoa Ch according to adjournment. Present - Revs R F Campbell R P Smith, S C Caldwell: and Ruling Elders Robt Young, W A Blair & J B Shope.

After a sermon preached by Rev R P Smith from Phil 1: 9, he propounded the constitutional questions to Licentiate R S. Eskridge and to the congregation. A charge was delivered to him by Dr Campbell, and one to the people by Rev S C Caldwell. Thus Rev R S Eskridge was ordained to the gospel ministry, and installed pastor of the Swamanoa Church.

All the minutes read and approved.

adjourned with prayer by Rev R S Eskridge

R P Smith, Chm Pro tem.

E A Sample S.C.

Call Meeting

Asheville NC Aug 14th 1900.

The Presbytery of Asheville met in the pastor's study of the 1st Pres Ch. Aug 14 at 4 P.M. under the following Call of the Moderator: a

Hendersonville, NC, July 30th 1900

The constitutional requirements having been met I hereby call a meeting of the Pres. of Asheville, to convene in the 1st Pres Ch. Asheville, Aug 14th 1900. at 4 P.M. to consider & act upon the following items of business, if the way be clear 1st To dissolve the pastoral relation existing between Rev J.W. Siler and the Hendersonville Church, and dismiss him to Mecklenburg Presbytery. 2nd To dismiss Rev S.C. Caldwell to Presbytery of Bethel.

Pres. was opened with prayer by Rev R.P. Smith

Present - Revs J.W. Siler, E.A. Sample, & R.P. Smith Elder L.T. Williams from Hendersonville Ch.

Rev S.C. Caldwell was dismissed to Pres of Bethel. Rev J.W. Siler's request for dissolution of the pastoral relation between himself and the Hendersonville Ch, was granted, and the pastoral relation was dissolved and he was given a letter to the Pres. of Mecklenburg. adjourned with prayer by Rev E.A. Sample

E.A. Sample, S.C.

Examined and approved at meeting of Synod in Raleigh Nov. 13 1900, with the following exceptions.

On page 170 it is not stated whether the trustees of Davidson College were excused from not attending the meeting of the board.

On page 194 it is stated "that the Board of Trustees of Davidson was read" &c We suppose that there is an omission and the report was read.

Examined this Nov 16, 1900 Raleigh NC

W S Morton Modr

Ninth Session Oct. 9 1908.

Brevard, N.C.

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Presbytery was then called to order and constituted with prayer by Rev. Mr. Wade, after which roll was called and the following were noted present:

Ministers:—

E. A. Sample, J. P. Wade, A. L. Hunt, H. R. Arrowsmith, E. Mac Ellis, R. S. Eskridge, D. M. Douglas, N. W. DeVane, R. P. Smith², R. F. Campbell².

Elders:

J. V. Brown,	Asheville 1st Church.
[illegible],	Hendersonville "
W. S. Tedell,	Bethel "
L. T. Williams,	Hendersonville "
J. H. Burgin,	Mills River "
J. E. Mackey²,	Landrum River "
James J. Osborne,	Preston "
T. J. Boswell,	Brevard "
N. P. Rankin,	Franklin "

Rev. A. MacDonald was elected moderator and Rev. J. P. Wade temporary clerk.

The committee on Devotional exercises made a partial report which was rec'd.

Presbytery then adjourned with prayer until tomorrow at 9³⁰ A.M.

Wednesday, Oct. 10 – 9³⁰ A.M.

Presbytery convened at above time and devotional exercises were conducted by the moderator. After which the minutes of last evening's session were read and approved.

The minutes of the regular adjourned and called meetings were read and approved.

The matter of supplying the pulpit here on the following Sabbath was put into the hands of Rev. R. P. Smith.

Devotional Com. made a full report which was as follows:

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We further recommend that the Home Missions committee report on Wednesday evening at 7⁴⁵ P.M.; Foreign Mission Com. Thursday at 11³⁰ A.M.

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W. S. Terrell,	Bethel "
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On Thursday evening the doctrinal sermon was preached by Rev. F. D. Hunt after which the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered. Report rec'd and adopted.

The following appeared, rendered excuses and were enrolled.

Rev. R. P. Smith, J. E. Mackey, Davidson River, D. M. Killian, Waynesville.

The following Committees appt.

Bills and Overtures R. P. Smith.
J. V. Brown.

Auditing Rev. R. S. Eskridge.
W. S. Terrill.

Doctrinal sermon Rev. J. A. Wade.
Jas. J. Osborne.

Leave of Absence Rev. R. F. Vance
J. L. Burgin

On Nomination Rev. R. R. Offcash.
A. S. Boswell

Minutes of Genl. Assembly D. M. Douglas.
B. P. Rankin.

Narrative Rev. F. D. Hunt

On Calls Rev. R. P. Smith
D. M. Killian.

Calls for the services of Rev. D. M. Douglas from Brevard and Davidson River churches rec'd and put into hands of committee on calls.

Letters concerning the printing of the minutes of presbytery were rec'd by the Stated Clerk as information and left in his hands.

Communications from Highlands and Horse Cove, commending the services of Rev. J. A. Wade, were received and referred to the Home Missions Committee.

Report of the committee on Elders and Deacon's Institute was rec'd, recommendation adopted, which was that a new com. be appt. to bring in a report at the Spring meeting of presbytery. Geo. E. Boggs of Waynesville ch. appeared, enrolled and was substituted for D. M. Killian.

Rev. R. F. Campbell appeared and was enrolled.

Recess till 2.30 P.M.

2.30 P.M.

Presbytery reassembled and resumed business.

Rev. E. MacDans made a report on the Bible Cause which was rec'd and recommendation adopted.

Hendersonville was chosen as place and April 30 at 7.30 P.M. as time of next meeting.

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Rev. E.A. Sample, trustee of Davidson College, made a report which was recd as information.

Next in order was a free conversation on the state of religion. The following brethren responded in behalf of their churches:

Rev. R. T. Campbell and Elder Brown, Asheville 1st ch.
Rev. E. MacDavis, Upper Ivy and Jonny Spear Memorial
Rev. R. S. Eskridge, Swannanoa, Oak Grove, Inanda.
Rev. F.D. Hunt and Elder Boggs, Waynesville.
" " " " " Ebbill, Bethel.
Rev. H.R. Overcash and Elder Osborne, Preston.
" " " Mills River and Midway.
Rev. D.M. Douglas and Elder Boswell, Brevard.
Rev. R.P. Smith responded in behalf of Dillsboro, Bryson City, Andrews, Murphy and Hayesville.
Rev. E.A. Sample and Elder Rankin, Franklin, Morrison and Center.
Rev. J.T. Wade, Highlands and other mission points.

A com., consisting of Revs. R.P. Smith, R.S. Eskridge, and Elder Jas. J. Osborne, was appointed to recommend a deliverance on church entertainments for the purpose of raising funds for the church.

Nominating Com. made the following report which was recd and adopted:

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On Foreign Missions Rev. D.M. Douglas in place of Rev. J. H. Siler, removed.

Home Missions

Rev. R.S. Eskridge and Elder H.M. Lockwood in place of Revs. S.C. Caldwell and J. H. Siler.

Examination of Candidates

(1) Rev. R.P. Smith take J. H. Siler's place.
(2) " " " " S.C. Caldwell's place.
(3) Rev. J. T. Wade " J. H. Siler's place.

Trustees of Davidson College

Rev. D.M. Douglas in place of Rev. S.C. Caldwell.
Elder J. D. Murphy to succeed Rev. E.A. Sample, whose term expires.

Committee on Colored Evangelization made a report which was recd and recommendation adopted.

Your Com. would recommend that the Pres. urge the pastors and sessions of all our churches to present this cause in December next to their people and give them the opportunity and privilege of offering their substance to the Lord to be used for His glory in giving the Gospel to the colored people of our land.

F. D. Hunt } Com.
J. D. Murphy }

Recess till 7½ P.M.

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Evening Session.

Presbytery convened at 7-45.

Committee on Home Missions, Rev. R. F. Campbell D.D. Chm., made a report which was received and its recommendations adopted.

(1). That the presbytery urge the session of every church in our bounds to see that at least one collection is taken each year for our Home Mission work.

(2). That each church press forward as rapidly as possible to the point of self support in order that the funds contributed to Home Missions may be used to carry the Gospel and Christian education into destitute fields.

Collections for this cause was taken amounting to $9.33

Presbytery adjourned with prayer by the mod. until tomorrow morning at 9-30.

Thursday — Oct. 11 — 9.30 A.M.

Presbytery met and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by Rev. R. P. Smith.

Moderator appointed the following committee: to bring in a report at Spring meeting in regard to Elders and Deacons Institute:
Revs. R. P. Smith, R. F. Campbell, P. S. Eskridge, and Elders J. D. Murphy, Capt Venable.

Recess of 15 minutes after which Rev. D. M. Douglas made a report on Foreign Missions which was received and the recommendations adopted.

We therefore earnestly recommend that our ministers be urged to present this cause faithfully to their people. Addresses were made on the above subject by Revs. J. R. Ayrcash and J. P. Wade.

Rev. D. M. Douglas chairman, made report on minutes of General Assembly, which was recd, and recommendations adopted.

(1). On page 613 sec. 10 we recommend that presbytery decline to make the change as to a quorum of synod.

(2). As to the new hymn book found on page 630, we recommend that the committee called for be appointed.

(3). On page 633 we recommend that presbytery express itself as not in favor of employing a man for this work.

The moderator appointed Rev. D. M. Douglas and Elder T. S. Boswell to receive and formulate criticisms on new hymn book and forward same to permanent committee.

Recess taken till 2-30 P.M.

Presbytery reassembled at 2.30 P.M. and devotional exercises were conducted by Elder James S. Osborne.

Com. on calls, Rev. R. P. Smith chm., reported

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favorable on calls from Brevard and Davidson River churches and they were put into the hands of Rev. Douglas.

Committee on church fairs, Rev. R. P. Smith chm., recommended the following which was rec'd and adopted:

DELIVERANCE AS TO CHURCH FAIRS &c.

(1). Since it is customary in some communities to hold church fairs and entertainments for the purpose of raising money, the Presbytery of Asheville hereby enters its solemn protest against such proceedings, because they are unscriptural and demoralizing in their tendencies.

(2). All our members are earnestly requested not to attend these entertainments or give aid and encouragement to them in anyway whatever.

(3). Our ministers are enjoined to preach on the subject and emphasize the duty and privilege of our making free-will offerings to God as worship.

Rev. R. P. Smith was appointed treasurer pro tem.

Rev. F. D. Hunt offered the following overture, which was received, adopted, and ordered sent to General Assembly:

That the Assembly send down to the presbyteries for their consideration the following amendment to the Book of Church Order: That the following addition to Paragraph 82 be made: "And provided further that in cases where the Synod consists of only three presbyteries, the quorum may be composed of members from two presbyteries."

Brevard N.C. Oct. 9 1900.

Rev. D. M. Douglas accepted calls from Brevard and Davidson River churches and the following commissions appointed to install him.

Davidson River on the 2nd Saturday in November

Prin. Revs. R. P. Smith, R. S. Eskridge, and Elder Jas. J. Osborne.

Alternates: Rev. F. D. Hunt and Elder N. S. Boswell.

Brevard on 2nd Sabbath in November.

Prin. — Revs. R. P. Smith, R. S. Eskridge, and Elder L. C. Neill.

Alternates — Rev. F. D. Hunt and Elder J. W. Mackey.

The stated clerk, Rev. W. H. Sample, presented statistical report and he was instructed to complete same and forward with other reports to Synod.

Rev. J. T. Wade, commissioner to General Assembly, made a report and his diligence was commended.

Auditing committee reported ~~on~~ treasurer's book correct, which was received and approved.

Committee on Doctrinal sermon reported, recommending that the subject be "The Sovereignty of God," and that Rev. A. MacDavis, with Rev. R. S. Eskridge alternate, preach the sermon at spring meeting. Report received and adopted.

Committee on Learned Ashsence reported that Rev. R. F. Campbell, Elders Geo. E. Boggs and J. V. Brown had been excused after evening session Oct. 9.

It was ordered that when we adjourn, we adjourn to meet in study of the pastor 1st Church Asheville, Oct. 16 at 5 P.M.

Recess taken until 7.45 P.M.

Evening Session.

Presbytery convened at 7.45 P.M. and Rev. A. D. Hunt delivered the doctrinal sermon — "Christ our Penal Substitute" from I. Cor. 1:23. After the sermon the Lord's Supper was administered by Revs. E. A. Sample and R. P. Smith.

The following vote of thanks adopted:

Resolved, that presbytery hereby extends its hearty thanks to the Brevard Presbyterian Church and to the community for their kind and bountiful hospitality extended during this meeting.

Presbytery then adjourned with the usual exercises to meet in the study of the pastor of the 1st church, Asheville, N.C., Monday October 15, 1900 at 5 P.M.

J. P. Wade. Temporary Clerk.
E. A. Sample. Stated Clerk.

Adjourned Meeting

Asheville, N.C. Oct. 15, 1900.

The Presbytery of Asheville met in adjourned meeting at 5 P.M. according to appointment and was called to order by Rev. R. T. Campbell, last mod. present and was constituded with prayer by Elder J. V. Brown.

The following were noted present:
Revs. R. T. Campbell, R. P. Smith, T. W. Devane, R. S. Eckridge, and Elder J. V. Brown from 1st ch. Asheville.

Rev. R. S. Eckridge was appointed clerk.

The moderator stated that the officers of the South side Church had sold their church property; but as no petition for dissolution was presented, presbytery was unable to take any action in the matter.

It was ordered that presbytery adjourn to meet in Dr. Campbell's study Thursday Nov. 6, 1900, at 4 P.M.

Closed with prayer.

R. S. Eckridge. Tem. clerk.
E. A. Sample. S.C.

Adjourned Meeting.

Asheville, N.C. Nov. 6, 1908.

Presbytery of Asheville met according to adjournment in Dr. Campbell's study, Nov. 6, 1908 at 4 P.M., and was called to order and led in prayer by the moderator, Rev. R. F. Campbell.

Present: Revs. R. F. Campbell, R. P. Smith, R. S. Eskridge and Elder J. V. Brown from 1st ch. Asheville.

Elder A. T. Summey was present as commissioner of the Southside Church and presented the following request for dissolution of that church.

Southside Presbyterian Church.

Asheville Oct. 28, 1908.

Whereas we, as a church and congregation have for eight years been laboring to build up and sustain the Southside Church of which we are members and whereas it occurs that our labors in that direction have been unsuccessful, partly perhaps, on account of our own shortcomings — and partly for want of that sympathy and encouragement of those in the immediate vicinity of the church which we reasonably had a right and every reason to expect. We are forced to the conclusion that the church should be dissolved and therefore with sad hearts, ask the Presbytery of Asheville, through this our representation to dissolve the same, and to take such further action in relation to its members

as in their judgement seems best for the members of the Church and the great cause we love and represent.

It is ordered that A. T. Summey, ruling elder in this church be appointed special commissioner to represent the church at the meeting of presbytery to be held at 4 P.M. the 6 of Nov. 1908 at the study of the pastor of the 1st Church Asheville.

A true copy from the minutes.

G. S. West. Sec.

I certify that this action was taken at a congregational meeting of Southside Church, called and conducted according to the requirements of the Book of Church Order, and that A. T. Summey was elected commissioner to present this request to Asheville Presbytery.

R. F. Campbell Mod.

The request was granted and the Southside church was dissolved and the session was authorized to give letters of dismission to other churches and to transact any other business connected with the said dissolution.

Presbytery adjourned with prayer to meet at Hendersonville, April 30, 1909 at 7:30 P.M.

R. S. Eskridge Tem. clerk.

E. A. Sample. Stated clerk.

Tenth Session April 30, 1901.

Hendersonville, N.C.

The Presbytery of Asheville met in its tenth annual session Tuesday April 30, 1901 at 8-30 P.M. in the Presbyterian Church of Hendersonville, N.C. and was opened with a sermon by Rev. L. M. Douglas on the text: "And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up." John 3:14.

After the sermon Presbytery was called to order and constituted with prayer by the moderator E. MacLean.

The roll was called and the following were as present: Ministers — R. F. Campbell D.D., E. A. Sample, J. T. Mack, E. MacLean, T. L. Hunt, R. P. Smith, R. S. Eskridge, L. M. Douglas, T. M. DeVane, H. R. Omwake.

Elders —

L. V. Brown	Asheville 1st church.
N. P. Rankin	Franklin "
W. H. Faucett	Waynesville "
W. S. Terrill	Bethel "
R. H. Young	Swannanoa "
L. Northrop	Brevard "
W. E. Beaver	Davidson River "
L. T. Williams	Hendersonville "

O. P. Orr*	Midway church.
Jas. J. Osborne	Preston "

Rev. R. P. Smith was elected moderator and Rev. R. S. Eskridge temporary clerk.

The committee of arrangements made the following report:

Presbytery to convene at 9 A.M. to 12 M., from 2 P.M. to 5 P.M., and from 8 P.M. to adjourn at will. The report was received and adopted.

The Rev. T. C. Law, D.D., of the Presbytery of Florence, Revs. A. J. McKelway and S. W. Newell of Mecklenburg Presbytery and L. M. McLean of Memphis Presbytery were invited to sit as corresponding members and introduced to presbytery. Rev. Dr. Edwards of the Episcopal church was introduced and invited to sit as a visiting member.

Ordered that at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning Rev. A. J. McKelway D.D. be heard in behalf of the Presbyterian Standard and the Doctrinal Sermon be preached at 11 o'clock followed by the celebration of the Lords Supper.

Presbytery then adjourned with prayer by Rev. T. H. Law until tomorrow at 9 A.M.

*Second day.

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Second Day – Wednesday – May 1, 1901.

The Presbytery met at 9 A.M. After devotional exercises, conducted by E. MacDavis, was called to order and business resumed.

Minutes of last regular and adjourned meeting were read and approved.

Rev. E. W. Nevell of Mecklenburg Presbytery and Rev. D. M. McDade of Memphis Presbytery presented letters of dismission and after satisfactory examination were received and their names enrolled.

Rev. A. J. McElway D.D. presented the claims of The Presbyterian Standard followed by Rev. T. H. Law D.D. who spoke in behalf of the American Bible Society.

The following papers were introduced by Rev. E. MacDavis and adopted:

"The Presbytery of Asheville has heard with sincere pleasure Thos. H. Law D.D. in behalf of the American Bible Society. It hereby records its confidence in that Society as being worthy of all support and cooperation. It further repeats its former injunctions to Sessions and pastors to urge the claims of the Society upon the liberality and benevolence of the people."

Hendersonville, N.C. April 30, 1901

"The Presbytery of Asheville has heard with the greatest pleasure Rev. A. J. McElway D.D., editor of the Presbyterian Standard, with reference to the condition, prospects and plans of that paper. The presbytery records its appreciation of the superior editorial work in the Standard especially of those editorials in which the fundamental doctrines have been discussed. It rejoices greatly that in the person of the editor the Synod has a leader able to lift up a standard for the people and that he has done so. The Presbytery expresses the conviction that in these times of unrest and disquiet in the world of religious thought it can recommend no better paper to the churches.

Be it resolved therefore, that the Presbytery of Asheville enjoins upon its members the consideration of the above facts to the end that they may promote a wider circulation of the paper."

Presbytery requested that a copy of the latter paper be sent to the Presbyterian Standard for publication.

This evening at 8 o'clock was selected as the time for the popular meeting in behalf of Home Missions.

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The following committees were announced by the moderator:

1st Bills and Overtures — Rev. E. McDavis and W. H. Faucett.
2nd Auditing — Elders W. S. Terrill and N. P. Rankin.
3rd Doctrinal Sermon — Rev. S. W. Newell and W. E. Graver.
4th Narrative — Rev. P. A. Campbell and R. H. Young.
5th Minutes of Synod — Rev. T. A. Hunt and L. V. Brown.
6th Systematic Benevolence — Revs. A. M. McIver and W. D. Vance.
7th Nominations — Revs. L. M. Douglas and R. A. Sandlin.
8th Sessional Records — Revs. H. P. Arrecash and J. T. Leader
Elders W. S. Terrill and N. P. Rankin.

Jas. J. Astome of Preston church and O. P. Orr of Midway church appeared and were enrolled.

Tomorrow at 10 A. M. was selected for a popular meeting in behalf of Sabbath Schools.

After 5 minutes recess Rev. E. McDavis delivered the Doctrinal Sermon. Subject "The Sovereignty of God." Text Rev. 19:6 (last clause) "Alleluia! for the Lord God Omnipotent Reigneth."

At the close of the sermon the Lord's Supper was administered by Rev. P. A. Campbell assisted by elders R. H. Young, L. V. Brown, W. S. Terrill and N. P. Rankin.

Recess was taken until 2 P. M.

Wednesday May 1 — 2 o'clock P. M.

The Presbytery met.

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It was left with the Home Missions com. to select the time for discussion on Christian Education.

It was made the order for popular meeting in the interest of Foreign Missions tomorrow at 11 A. M.

A call from the Hendersonville church for the services of Rev. D. M. McIver was presented and placed in his hands.

Elder C. North from the Brevard church appeared and was enrolled.

Rev. J. B. Cochrane was granted leave to labor outside the bounds of Presbytery until the next regular meeting.

The needs of the Orphan's Home at Barium Springs were discussed and the following paper adopted:

Resolved, that the Presbytery calls the attention of all its churches to the need and claims of the Orphan's Home at Barium Springs, and urges that a collection be taken in the churches for this institution during the month of June in accordance with the order of Synod and also that wherever practicable collections be taken for this cause in the Sabbath Schools.

A petition from the Highlands Mission asking that a church be organized at that point was

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presented and placed in the hands of the Home Missions Committee, with powers of a commission to act when the way was clear.

The Committee on Narrative made the following report which was adopted and ordered sent to the General Assembly:

Sixteen Narratives in hands of Committee.

1. Attendance on sanctuary by members and others.

All report attendance "Good" or "very good."

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5. Fidelity of God's people in worshiping the Lord with their substance and in giving to the support and extension of the Gospel.

14 report good; 2 fair.

6. Have your churches paid their pastors fully and promptly the amounts promised them?

Ten report salary paid in full; six more or less delinquent.

7. Special evidences of spiritual life, growth and activity in the churches.

Three report special evidences, thirteen report no special evidences; but majority have had healthful growth.

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9. Evangelistic work outside the churches.

Twelve report yes; four report no.

The Committee further reported in regard to societies, that there are fourteen organizations including Ladies, Young Peoples, and Children's, are the bounds of our Presbytery.

The Home Missions committee was instructed to apply to the Assembly's Home Missions Committee for aid from the Invalid Fund for Rev. S. P. Fowler $50 and Mrs. Sarah McPherson, widow of Rev. J. P. McPherson, $50.

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stated clerk was directed to notify the churches to have a representative at the above meeting to show cause, if any, why the request should not be granted.

Franklin was chosen as the place for the next stated meeting and the time to be October 1, 1901 at 7.30 P.M.

E. D. Sample and N. P. Rankin were appointed as a committee of arrangements.

The auditing committee reported that the treasurer's book had been examined and found correct. Report received and approved.

Committee on doctrinal sermon for fall meeting reported recommending that Rev. R. S. Eskridge, with Rev. D. W. LeVane alternate, be appointed to preach the sermon — subject "Limited Atonement." Report received and approved.

Presbytery took recess until 8 P.M.

8 P.M.

Presbytery reassembled and resumed business.

The popular meeting was held in the interest of Home Missions, presided over by R. F. Campbell, chm. The report was received and after addresses on the subject recommendations were adopted.

1. That the appropriations of aid be renewed to those churches or groups of churches that have

fully met their obligations to their pastors and that the committee of Home Missions be empowered ad interim to make such changes in their appropriations as may be justified by circumstances.

2. That the churches receiving aid be urged to advance toward the point of self-support as rapidly as possible that the presbytery's funds may be available as largely as possible for the inauguration of new work.

3. That Rev. R. P. Smith be reelected general evangelist for the presbytery for the ensuing year.

Adjourned until 10 tomorrow at 9 A.M.

Third day — Thursday May 2, 1901.

Presbytery met at 9 A.M. and after devotional exercises resumed business.

The committee on minutes of Synod made report which was received and approved and is as follows:

1. That presbytery appoint a committee of two to take charge of the Twentieth Century Fund movement and cooperate with the Synod's and the assembly's committees.

2. That presbytery rescind its action and approve the appointment of a Sabbath School secretary by the Assembly.

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3. That presbytery express its hearty endorsation of what synod says as to family worship in the address to the churches on the state of religion and we direct all of our pastors to read said action and this endorsement thereof from their pulpits to their people.

Committee on Sabbath Schools, Rev. J. T. Wade chairman, made the following report which was received, adopted and ordered sent to the General Assembly. "Out of twenty-one churches in the presbytery only twelve made report. These report fifteen schools and one hundred and nine officers and teachers, 881 scholars, total 990. Average attendance, officers and teachers 82, scholars 565, total 647. Scholars admitted to the communion 23. Contributed to current expenses $51.40, other objects $140.15, total $191.55. The schools are under the control and supervision of the sessions. The scholars generally attend public worship. The standards of the church are taught in some of the schools. The scriptures and catechisms are, to some extent, memorized. The publications of the church are generally taken. There has been no special interest in the schools."

Rev. D. T. Douglas chairman of committee on

Foreign Missions, made the following report which was received and approved:

"Seventeen churches in the presbytery have contributed to the cause of Foreign Missions; 4 made no contribution. The total amount contributed during the year was $1622.82. Of this amount the Asheville church gave $1523.42. Most of the churches contributed to this important cause but the contributions were small. We recommend that our pastors and sessions be faithful in keeping this important cause before our people and strive to make them feel the obligation resting upon them of carrying the Gospel to them that have it not, at the same time emphasize the glorious privilege of being entrusted as an ambassador of Jesus Christ."

Recess was taken until 2 P.M.

2 P.M.

Presbytery met and resumed business.

The following persons were appointed a committee to make apportionments on churches for benevolent causes: Revs. R. P. Smith, F. D. Hunt, R. F. Campbell and elder W. C. Blair

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Rev. E. MacDavis was requested to furnish a copy of the sermon on "The Sovereignty of God" to the Presbyterian Standard for publication.

Committee on Systematic Beneficence made the following report which was received, adopted and ordered sent to the General Assembly.

We find that 15 churches contributed to

Foreign Missions	"	"	$1607.33
Assembly's Home	"	8	" 44.18
Local	"	" 14	" 1623.15
Colored Evangelistic		10	" 111.16
Invalid Fund		14	" 60.27
Education		14	" 239.52
Publication		7	" 40.50
Bible Society		7	" 25.04
Church & Manse erection		5	" 687.51
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1 church contributed to 10 causes.
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The committee on publication and colportage made a report in which they acklowledged the generosity of the Assembly's Committee in

making donations of books, tracts and Sunday School literature to feeble churches and mission workers. They also called special attention to two books written by Miss S. O. H. Dickson and published at Richmond. "The Story of Marthy" and "Reuben Helton Preacher". These books set forth the needs and opportunities of christian work in N. C. If ordered through the chairman, Rev. E. MacDavis, they can be had at reduced rates. Seven churches contributed to this cause $41.73

Report was received and approved.

Rev. D. M. McIver accepted the call to the Hendersonville church and the following commission was appointed to install him on the 3rd Sunday in June: Revs. R. P. Smith, and D. M. Douglas and elder Jas. J. Osborne. Rev. R. P. Smith to preside, propound the constitutional questions and charge the people and Rev. D. M. Douglas to deliver the charge to the pastor.

The committee on sessional records reported that the following sessions had sent in their records: Brevard, Waynesville, Hendersonville, Swannanoa, Asheville 1st, Franklin, Davidson River, Mills River, and Bethel.

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The criticisms made on these books were sustained but not put into the hands of the clerk.

Rev. S. W. Newell was appointed to remain over Sabbath at next stated meeting.

Stated clerk read statistical report which was adopted and ordered sent to Geil Ad.

The stated clerk was instructed to write to every session that had failed to pay the presbytrial assessment urging the payment of the same on the grounds that it is a debt and not an apportionment.

The special committee on Elders and Deacon's Institute, Rev. R. P. Smith chm., reported as follows: "Your committee on Elders and Deacon's Institute would report after conferring with the chm. of the committee from the French Broad Presbytery and after considering the subject carefully in all its bearings, we would recommend

1. That the Institute be held again this summer.
2. That the session be not longer than two days.
3. That Rev. F. D. Hunt and J. D. Murphy be appointed a committee on program to act with a like committee from French Broad Presbytery."

This report was received, amended, by substituting Rev. R. P. Smith for Rev. F. D. Hunt, and approved.

The treasurer, W. A. Blair, made report for the last six months which was recd. and approved.

The presbytery conferred evangelistic powers upon Rev. S. W. Newell in his field, North Haywood.

Committee on Education made report which was received and approved.

Committee on leave of absence reported the following which was approved: Excused for tardiness, Elder O. P. Orr, and Rev. T. U. DeVane; excused after Wednesday evening, N. P. Rankin, W. H. Faucett and R. H. Young.

Revs. R. P. Smith and R. A. Campbell were appointed to act as a Twentieth Century com.

Revs. R. P. Smith and R. S. Eskridge were appointed to assist the stated clerk in the printing of the minutes.

After a vote of thanks to the Hendersonville Presbyterian church, the community and the Railroads, the minutes were read and approved and presbytery adjourned with singing and prayer to meet in Asheville, May 13, 1901 at 4 P.M.

R. P. Smith - mod.
R. S. Eskridge Tem. Clk.

Attest: E. A. Sample.
Stated clerk.

Adjourned Meeting.

Asheville, N.C. May 13, 1901.

The Presbytery of Asheville met pursuant to adjournment in the pastor's study of the 1st Presbyterian Church at 4 P.M.

Present: Revs. R. P. Smith, H. R. Overcash, R. F. Campbell D.D. Elders L. V. Brown of 1st ch. Asheville and M. M. Britain of Mills River.

Rev. R. P. Smith the moderator called the presbytery to order and the meeting was constituted with prayer by Rev. H. R. Overcash.

Rev. R. F. Campbell was appointed to act as temporary clerk.

Rev. H. R. Overcash requested that the matter of his resignation as pastor of Mills River Church, presented at the last meeting of presbytery, be taken up. Ruling elder M. M. Britain, representing the church, certified that the congregation concurred in the request. Rev. R. P. Smith stated that he had moderated the congregational meeting which was called and conducted according to the requirements of the Book of Church Order and that Mr. Britain was duly chosen to represent the congregation in the matter.

The presbytery granted the request of the pastor and congregation and the pastoral

relation was dissolved.

Minutes were read and approved.

The presbytery then adjourned with prayer by the moderator to meet in pastor's study of 1st Church Asheville Tuesday July 2, 1901 at 4 o'clock P.M.

R. P. Smith - Moderator.
R. F. Campbell. Tem. clerk.

Attest. E. A. Sample.
Stated clerk.

Examined and approved without exception at the meeting of Synod at Second Church Charlotte N.C. Oct. 24, 1901.

Robt E Caldwell
Moderator.

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Oct 1st 1901.

Franklin, N. C.

The Presbytery of Asheville met in the church of Franklin, N. C. in the 11th regular semi-annual session at 8 A. M.

At the request of the retiring Moderator, Rev. R. P. Smith, the opening sermon was preached by Rev. D. M. McDeer from Rom VIII. 28 after which Presbytery was called to order and constituted with prayer by Rev. J. T. Wade, the last moderator also preaching.

The roll was called and the following noted as present, viz: ministers, E. A. Sample, R. S. Eskridge, E. MacDaris, F. D. Hunt, J. T. Wade, D. M. McDeer, R. P. Smith (2) J. M. Dwyle (2) T. H. Deane.

Churches represented — B. M. Lee, Asheville 1st Ch. S. J. Brown, Waynesville Ch. A. J. Osborne, Bethel Ch. W. L. DeWitt, Dillsboro Ch. N. P. Rankin, Franklin Ch. Robt. McPherson, Morrison Ch. E. L. Slagle, Centre Ch. p. 26.

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Dillard, Murphy Ch.

Ministers absent — S. St. Rennee, R. F. Campbell D.D. J. B. Cochran, H. A. Peacock, D. T. Fowler.

Churches not represented — Church of the Covenant, Barnardsville, Bryson City, Hayesville, Andrews, Burnsville, Danieldon River, Creston, Midway, Mills River, Hendersonville, Swannanoa, Oak Forest.

J. H. Dillard was elected moderator and Rev. D. M. McDeer Tem. clk.

The Committee of Arrangements made the following report which was adopted: "That the Presbytery meet daily at 9 A. M. to 12 M. 2 P. M. to 5 P. M. and from 7.30 P. M. to adjourn at nine. Wednesday at 11 A. M. a Doctrinal Sermon to be preached, followed by the celebration of the Lord's Supper. Wednesday evening 7.30 P. M. the popular meeting in interest of Home Missions."

Rev. J. T. Wade was dismissed to Presbytery of Mecklenburg.

Presbytery adjourned with prayer until tomorrow at 9 A. M.

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Second Day

Wednesday Oct. 2nd 1901.

The Presbytery convened at 9 A.M., devotional exercises conducted by Rev. E. MacDavis.

Minutes of last night's session read and approved.

Minutes of last regular and intervening meetings read and approved.

Moderator announced following committees:

1. Bills and Overtures - Rev. R. P. Smith, E. MacDavis, and I. J. Brown.
2. Auditing - N. L. DeWitt and B. M. Lee.
3. Leave of Absence - Rev. I. D. DeVane & A. J. Osborne
4. Nominations - Rev. R. S. Eskridge & E. L. Stagle.
5. Minutes of Genl Assembly - Rev. J. D. Hunt, N. P. Rankin

The Treasurer of Presbytery was directed to pay to Synod $15.00 our indebtedness.

Letters from Dillsboro and Bryson City chs. vs. to Licentiate J. A. Patton were read as information.

Rev. R. P. Smith was appointed Treasurer pro tem.

Licentiate J. A. Patton, of Nashville Presbytery, was received under care of this Pres.

Rev. R. P. Smith was appointed to administer the Lord's Supper.

Rev. R. P. Smith Chm. reported on Elders and Deacons Institute. For providential reasons no meetings were held. Report was approved and committee continued.

Committee on Apportionments through its Chm. reported giving satisfactory reasons why the work had not been done. Committee continued until next regular meeting of Presbytery.

Rev. Dr. Erwin of M. E. Ch. was invited to sit as a visiting Brother and introduced to Presbytery.

The Doctrinal sermon was preached by Rev. R. S. Eskridge from John 17. 9 - Subject, "Limited Atonement."

The Lord's Supper was then administered by Rev. R. P. Smith, assisted by I. J. Brown, N. J. Osborne, N. L. DeWitt and B. M. Lee.

Recess until 3 P.M.

Afternoon Session

Presbytery reassembled at 3 P.M.

Rev. D. M. Douglas appeared and was enrolled

Thursday at 7.30 P.M. was chosen for time of popular meeting in interest of Foreign Missions.

Presbytery then engaged in a free discussion of the state of religion in our chs. which was participated in by all present.

The following paper was adopted, to wit: "Presbytery notes with pleasure the signs of improvement in the civil laws concerning divorce in many of the States, and especially of the movement toward a uniform divorce law throughout the Union. May God hasten the day when man's laws shall be the copy of God's law. God's word recognizes but two justifiable grounds of divorce, adultery and wilful desertion. The church standard, as well as the Assembly's deliverance on this subject, are in line with God's word. The ministry is sworn to conform itself to these principles. Let the church be careful not to swerve from those principles nor to modify its testimony."

Rev. F. D. Hunt, Agt. Colored Evangelization, made a very fine report, which was received, and the following recommendation adopted: "That each of our pastors and sessions are urged by Presbytery to give their people an opportunity to contribute to this cause in the month of Dec. next.

Dr. A. Blair, Treasurer of Presbytery, through Rev. R. P. Smith, offered his resignation which was accepted, and Rev. R. P. Smith was appointed to serve until spring meeting.

Rev. R. P. Smith, a commissioner to Gen'l Assembly, reported that he was present at the opening, attended every session, performed the duties assigned him, and voted on all questions according to his best judgment. His expenses were $31.50. Report received, approved, and diligence commended.

Waynesville was selected as place for next meeting, and the time Thursday after 3rd Sun. Apr. (22nd) 1902 - 7.30 P.M.

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Rev. F. D. Hunt and elder J. J. Brown were appointed Committee of Arrangements.

The committee appointed to install Rev. D. M. McFee over Franklin ch. reported that the duty had been performed. Approved.

Mills River Ch. was granted permission to employ Rev. L. L. Carson until Spring meeting.

Rev. D. M. Douglas, Trustee of Davidson College reported that he attended last meeting of the Board. Approved.

Recess until 7.30 P.M.

Night Session

7.30 P.M.

Rev. R. P. Smith presided over popular meeting held in interest of Home Missions, at which interesting addresses were made by Revs. D. M. McFee and J. M. Drane.

Collection $1.47½

Presbytery adjourned with prayer until 9 A.M. tomorrow.

Third Day — Oct 3rd 1901.

Presbytery met at 9 A.M. and after devotional exercises, conducted by

Rev. J. M. Drane, Business was resumed.

Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Mr. R. S. Dret presented himself as a candidate for the ministry, and pending the examination the matter was referred to the Synod and the Home Mission Committee that it might come up as required by our Manual.

The Stated Clerk made statistical report, and he was given permission to complete and forward the same to Synod.

A commission consisting of Revs. R. P. Smith, E. A. Sampley, F. D. Hunt & J. M. Drane and elders E. L. Shaple and J. M. Richardson, was appointed to organize a church at Robbinsville Nov. 2, 1901.

Rev. D. M. Douglas, with Rev. R. S. Eskridge alternate, was appointed to remain over Sabbath at next meeting of Presbytery.

The committee on minutes of Ruil-

Assembly made report which was received and adopted, and is as follows: The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly report:
1. As to the overture sent down to the Presbyteries changing paragraph 92 to 95 concerning commissions and committees pp 24 and 25 we recommend that the Presbytery answer 'yes'.
2. As to the action concerning statistics regarding baptized non communicants (p 35), we recommend that the Stated Clerk be instructed to send down to Pastors and Sessions a copy of paragraph 1 on p 36 when he sends the blanks for sessional reports in the spring.
3. We recommend that Presbytery answer overture of the Assembly (p 40) as to quorum of Synod 'yes'.
4. As to the subject of graded lessons for the Sabbath School (p 00) we recommend that Revs. D. M. Douglas and R. S. Eskridge be appointed a committee to report on this subject at spring meeting.

5. We recommend that Revs. E. Mac Davis, R. P. Smith, and R. F. Campbell D.D. be appointed to consider and make criticism on the Catechism on the Church and send same to the Assembly's ad interim committee as requested by assembly (p 55).
6. That Presbytery endorse and emphasize the action of the assembly as to Sabbath observance (p 63), and direct each of our ministers to preach on this subject at least once during the coming year, and that they be required to answer at next fall meeting as to their compliance.
7. We call the attention of our churches to the Moore Memorial Fund for aiding weak churches in building houses of worship (p 40).
8. We urge our pastors and Sabbath school superintendents to take the collection for support of the Superintendent of Sabbath schools and Young People's Societies as ordered by the assembly (p 48 par. 4).
9. We call attention to the assembly's deliv-

ance as to Children's Day (p. 49), and urge our churches to observe the caution therein contained.
10. We call attention of pastors and sessions to the Assembly's Home and School, (p. 67), and urge that our people be given an opportunity to contribute to this cause.

F. D. Hunt Chairman.

The committee on Nominations reported the following, which was adopted:
1. That Rev. D. M. McDow be appointed an agt. for Sabbath Schools in place of Rev. J. T. Wade, dismissed.
2. That Rev. T. W. Wane, with Rev. S. W. Neree alternate, be appointed to preach the Doctrinal Sermon at next spring meeting, and that the subject be Regeneration.

Recess was taken until 7.30 P.M.

P.M. Third Day

Thursday Oct. 3rd 1901.

Presbytery met at 7.30 P.M. and was opened by prayer.

Rev. J. W. Cook of the M.E. ch. was invited

to sit as a visiting brother, and introduced to Presbytery.

A popular meeting in interest of Foreign Missions, presided over by Rev. D. M. Douglas, was held, and interesting addresses made by Revs. F. D. Hunt and D. M. McDow. Collection $6.75

The following papers were adopted viz:
"We wish to express to the people of Franklin, for their attending the sessions of Presbytery, for their attention to its services, and for their warm hospitality, our deep appreciation and hearty thanks."
"Resolved that Presbytery express its thanks and high appreciation to the good people of Dillsboro, who so thoughtfully ministered to our wants while on our way to Presbytery."

Report of Committee on Leave of Absence: "Your Committee on Leave of absence served report that they have excused, after the morning session Thursday, Rev. A. P. Smith, and elders B. M. Lee and Robt. McPherson. Excused for absence from this meeting

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Revs. R. F. Campbell D.D. and J. B. Neree. Excused for tardiness, Revs. R. P. Smith and D. M. Douglas.

J. D. Dwane Chairman:

Report was received and approved.

"Resolved, That when Presbytery adjourn it be to meet at Synod, at call of the Moderator.

The minutes of this day's session were read and approved.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet at call of the Moderator, during session of Synod at Charlotte, N.C. which meets Oct. 22nd with singing, prayer, and benediction.

J. H. Dillard Moderator.

Attest:

E. A. Sample Stated Clerk

D. M. McDow Temporary Clerk.

Adjourned Meeting

Charlotte, N.C. Oct 24/1901

Asheville Presbytery met according to adjournment, in 2nd Presbyterian Ch. Charlotte, N.C. on Thursday, Oct 24, 1901 at 9 A.M. Meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by Rev. E. MacDavis, the last Moderator present.

Members present, – Revs. E. MacDavis, R. F. Campbell, D.D., D. M. Douglas, D. M. McDow, H. A. Brabcash, E. A. Sample, and ruling elder J. J. Brown.

Rev. H. A. Brabcash was granted permission to labor outside the bounds of Presbytery until next Spring meeting of Presbytery.

Minutes were read and approved.

Presbytery then adjourned with prayer by the Moderator, to meet in pastor's study of 1st Ch. Asheville, N.C. Nov. 12, 1901 at 3.30 P.M.

E. MacDavis Moderator.

Attest.

E. A. Sample Stated Clerk

D. M. McDow Temporary Clerk.

Adjourned Meeting

Asheville, N.C. Nov. 12, 1901

Presbytery of Asheville met in pastor's study of 1st Ch. Asheville, at 3.30 P.M. pursuant to adjournment.

Presbytery was called to order and constituted with prayer by Rev. R. P. Smith, last moderator present.

Present – Revs. R. F. Campbell, D.D., R. P. Smith, E. MacDavis, D. M. Douglas, and D. M. McDer, with elder J. T. Brown, of 1st Ch. Asheville.

Evangelistic power was conferred upon Rev. D. M. McDer in the county of Henderson, and like power conferred on Rev. D. M. Douglas in the county of Transylvania.

The Jennie Spear Memorial Church, and the same Missions Committee, to which the case of Mr. N. S. West was referred at last regular meeting, reported favorably, and he was received, as a candidate for the gospel ministry, under the care of Presbytery.

A letter of dismission from East Hanover Presbytery was presented by Licentiate F. F. Jones, and he was taken under our care.

Licentiates F. F. Jones and T. A. Patton

were then examined on experimental religion, and motives for seeking the gospel ministry. The examinations were satisfactory as parts of trial.

Presbytery then proceeded to examine the candidates on theology, church history, church government, and the sacraments, all of which were sustained as satisfactory parts of trial.

Rev. D. M. Douglas was appointed to examine the candidates on arts and sciences, and Rev. E. MacDavis on the languages, who subsequently reported the duty performed, and recommended that the examinations be sustained. Adopted.

To-morrow at 3.30 P.M. was fixed as the hour to hear trial sermons of Licentiates Jones and Patton.

Presbytery then adjourned with prayer until 11 A.M. to-morrow.

Second Day.

Nov. 13, 1901.

Presbytery met at 11 A.M. and after devotional exercises resumed business.

Adjourned Meeting

calls from Bryson City and Dillsboro chs. for the services of Rev. J.A. Patton were presented, placed in his hands and accepted, and the following commission appointed to install him: Revs. R.P. Smith, E.A. Sampley, J.D. Hunt, and elders D.S. Ferrell and N.P. Rankin. Time to be fixed by Rev. J.A. Patton. Rev. R.P. Smith, as chairman, to assign the duties to each of the commissioners.

Revs. D.M. McDow and E. MacDavis were excused after the morning session.

Recess taken until 3.30 P.M. to reassemble in the church.

Presbytery met in church at 3.30 P.M.

Licentiate J.A. Patton preached from Dan. 2: 34, 35. Licentiate F.F. Jones from Matt. 10: 32, 33.

On motion these sermons and the previous examinations as a whole were accepted as satisfactory parts of trial for ordination.

The Moderator propounded the constitutional questions.

Licentiates F.F. Jones and J.A. Patton were ordained to the work of the gospel ministry by prayer and the laying on of the hands of Presbytery. Rev. R.F. Campbell D.D. delivered the charge to the brethren. Rev. D.M. McDow was appointed clerk pro tem. Rev. F.F. Jones was granted evangelistic powers in Clay County.

Rev. J.B. Cochran, at his own request, was dismissed to Presbytery of Savannah.

Minutes read and approved, and Presbytery adjourned, with prayer by Rev. F.F. Jones, to meet at Waynesville, N.C. on (Tues.) 22nd Apr. 1902 at 7.30 P.M.

R.P. Smith Mod.

Attest:

E.A. Sampley Stated Clerk

D.M. McDow Temporary Clk.

Directory.

The following is a complete Directory for the present time, having been amended by filling all vacancies October 1901.

Stated Clerk.

Officers

Moderator - Elder J. H. Dillard - Murphy, N.C.
Stated Clerk - Rev. E. A. Sample - Franklin, N.C.
Treasurer - Rev. R. P. Smith - Asheville, N.C.

Trustees of Presbytery - J. D. Murphy, Asheville, N.C.; S. F. Venable, Asheville, N.C.; N. H. Lancaster, Waynesville, N.C.

Trustees of Davidson College - Rev. D. M. Douglas, Brevard, N.C.; Elder J. D. Murphy, Asheville, N.C.

Executive Committee and Agents.

Home Missions and Education - Rev. R. F. Campbell, Chairman of Home Missions, Asheville, N.C.; Rev. R. P. Smith Chm. Education, Asheville, N.C.; Rev. R. L. Eskridge, Swannanoa, N.C. H. H. Lockwood, Asheville, N.C. A. T. Summey, T. L. Morrison, J. D. Eggleston, W. A. Blair, Asheville, N.C.

Foreign Missions - Rev. D. M. Douglas, Agt. Brevard, N.C.

Sabbath Schools. Rev. D. M. McDow, Agt. Hendersonville, N.C.

Publication and Colportage - Rev. E. MacDavis, Agt. Barnardsville, N.C.

Colored Evangelization and Bible Cause - Rev. F. D. Hunt, Agt. Waynesville, N.C.

Roll of Ministers & their Post Offices.

D. T. Fowler, Creat Fox, N.C.
E. A. Sample, Franklin, N.C.
R. F. Campbell, D.D. Asheville, N.C.
E. MacDavis, Barnardsville, N.C.
H. R. Arrowood, China Grove, N.C.
F. D. Hunt, Waynesville, N.C.
R. P. Smith, Asheville, N.C.
R. L. Eskridge, Swannanoa, N.C.
D. M. Douglas, Brevard, N.C.
T. W. DeVore, Robbinsville, N.C.
D. M. McDow, Hendersonville, N.C.
J. W. Nemec, Palm Creek, N.C.
T. A. Patton, Bryson City, N.C.
T. F. Jones, Haywood, N.C.
Licentiate L. H. Avery, Nimrod, N.C.

Churches & Post Offices.

Franklin,	Franklin, N.C.
Morrison,	Franklin, N.C.
Centre,	Cranford, N.C.
Asheville 1st Ch.	Asheville, N.C.
Jennie Speer Memorial,	Barnardsville, N.C.

Mills Rivr,	Mills Rivr, N.C.
Midway,	Boilston, N.C.
Preston,	Boilston, N.C.
Waynesville,	Waynesville, N.C.
Bethel,	Sonoma, N.C.
Swannanoa,	Swannanoa, N.C.
Oak Forest,	Acton, N.C.
Burnsville,	Burnsville, N.C.
Davidson Rivr,	Davidson Rivr, N.C.
Hendersonville,	Hendersonville, N.C.
Murphy,	Murphy, N.C.
Hayesville,	Hayesville, N.C.
Andrews,	Andrews, N.C.
Dillsboro,	Dillsboro, N.C.
Bryson City,	Bryson City, N.C.
Church of the Covenant,	Barnardsville, N.C.
Robbinsville	Robbinsville, N.C.

Annual Presbyterial Apportionments.

Churches	Ministerial Education	Presbyterial F. Missions	Synodical Synodical	Gen. Assembly F. Missions	Church Erection	Publication	Colored Evangelization	Ministerial Relief	Presbyterial Assessments
Asheville 1/4	$153	$1200	$200	$50	$300	$40	$75	$100	$100
Andrews	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bethel	4	15	4	3	4	2	2	3	4
Burnsville	5	20	5	5	5	3	3	5	5

Churches	Ministerial Education	Presbyterial F. Missions	Synodical Synodical	Gen. Assembly F. Missions	Church Erection	Publication	Colored Evangelization	Ministerial Relief	Presbyterial Assessments
Bryson City	3	10	3	2	4	2	3	3	4
Cornandia	1	4	2	1	2	1	1	1	2
Centre	1	3	1	1	2	1	1	1	2
Davidson Rivr	5	15	4	4	4	2	2	4	4
Dillsboro	2	5	2	1	2	1	2	2	2
Franklin	5	10	3	2	3	2	2	3	4
Hendersonville	5	20	5	5	5	3	3	3	5
Hayesville	1	4	1	1	2	1	1	1	2
Highlands	1	5	2	1	2	2	1	2	3
Jennie Spear Mem.	1	4	2	1	2	1	1	1	2
Midway	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Mills Rivr	5	15	4	3	5	2	2	3	5
Morrison	2	5	2	1	2	2	1	2	3
Murphy	3	10	3	2	3	2	2	2	4
Oak Forest	3	8	3	2	3	2	2	2	4
Preston	1	4	2	1	2	1	1	1	2
Robbinsville	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Swannanoa	4	12	3	2	3	2	2	3	5
Waynesville	5	20	5	3	5	3	3	4	5

Twelfth Session.
Held at
Waynesville, N.C. April 22nd 1902.

The Presbytery of Asheville met in the church of Waynesville, N.C. in its twelfth regular semi annual session Apr. 22nd at 8 P.M. and at the request of the retiring moderator J. H. Dillard the opening sermon was preached by Rev. T. A. Patton from Matt. 14:16 after which Presbytery was called to order by J. H. Dillard and constituted with prayer by Rev. A. P. Smith.

The roll was called and the following noted as present.

Ministers — R. F. Campbell D.D., E. A. Templeton, F. D. Hunt, R. P. Smith, R. J. Ekridge, D. M. Douglas, T. N. Deyvane, D. M. McDow, S. A. Nemec, T. A. Patton, and T. L. Jones.

Churches represented — J. J. Brown, Asheville 1st Ch. N. P. Rankin Franklin, A. J. Osborne Bethel, J. H. Dillard Murphy, A. M. Fry Bryson City.

Ministers absent — E. MacDavis and H. R. Orracah.

Churches not represented — Morrison, Centre,

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Junior, Spear Memorial, Mills River, Mid way, Preston, Swannanoa, Oak Forest, Biltmore, Davidson River, Hendersonville, Hayesville, Andrews, Dillsboro, Cornelius, Robbinsville.

Rev. R. J. Ekridge was elected moderator and Rev. D. M. McDow temporary clerk.

The committee on devotional exercises made the following report: "That the Presbytery meet daily at 9 A.M. & 1 2 M. 3.30 P.M. to 6 P.M. and from 8 P.M. to adjourn at will.

Preaching at 11 A.M. each day. Wednesday at 11 A.M. the doctrinal sermon to be preached followed by the celebration of the Lord's supper. Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock the popular meeting in the interest of Home Mission. Thursday at 11 A.M. preaching by Rev. R. F. Campbell D.D." Adopted.

Presbytery adjourned till 9 A.M. tomorrow.

Second Day.
Wednesday Apr. 23rd 1902.

Presbytery convened at 9 A.M. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. S. A. Nemec.

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Minutes of last night's session read and approved.

The Moderator announced the following committees—

1. Bills and Overtures Rev. R. F. Campbell, H. P. Rankin
2. Auditing Rev. S. N. Nemec & L. V. Brown
3. Doctrinal Sermon Rev. T. N. DeVane, J. H. Dillard
4. Leave of Absence Rev. F. F. Jones, N. H. Faucette
5. Narration Rev. D. M. Douglas, A. J. Osborne
6. Nominations Rev. R. P. Smith, F. F. Jones
7. Minutes of Synod Rev. D. M. Douglas, L. V. Brown
8. Sessional Records Rev. T. A. Patton, N. H. Faucette, H. P. Rankin, and A. M. Fry
9. Systematic Benevolence Rev. T. D. Hunt, J. H. Dillard
10. Young People's and Ladies' Societies Rev. T. N. DeVane and A. J. Osborne.

The reading of minutes of last regular and intervening meetings was dispensed with as they had been printed.

A call from Hills Rivr. church for Rev. Cammon C. Brown for one half his time at a salary of — and the use of the manse, was read and put into the hands of committee on Bills and Overtures.

A communication in regard

to the Orphans' Home was referred to committee on Minutes of Synod.

A communication for Christian education was read and put into the hands of Rev. R. P. Smith, chm. Education.

Thursday at 8 P.M. was fixed for popular meeting in interest of Foreign Missions.

The time to hear Dr. N. J. Martin, on the subject of education, after preaching on Thursday.

The commission appointed to organize a church at Robbinsville, reported the duty performed, approved.

Rev. R. P. Smith, chm. made a report on Presbyterial apportionments which was amended, as follows: Asheville Ch. $70.00, Bethel $6.00, Burnsville $10.00, Davidson River $5.00, Swannanoa $7.00, Waynesville $10.00, Hendersonville 15

This report to be incorporated in the original, printed and sent down to the churches, by the chairman.

Rev. F. L. Townsend of M. E. church was invited to sit as a visiting brother.

The commission to isolate Rev. T. A. Patton on the chs. of Dillsboro and

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Boyne City, reported that he had been installed over Dillsboro Ch. and the commission was continued.

The distribution of evangelistic labor was left to the Home Missions Com.

Rev. T. N. DeVane delivered, according to appointment, the sermon on Regeneration from John 3: 3, 5. The Lord's Supper was then administered by Rev. D. M. McDow assisted by elders Mark Killian, L. V. Brown, A. J. Osborne, and H. P. Rankin.

Recess until 3 P.M.

Presbytery assembled at the above time and resumed business.

The following was ~~introduced~~:
"Resolved that Manual Sec. 4 par. 54 be amended by addition of following words: 'The treasurer shall be bonded in some guarantee company in the sum of $2000. Cost of said bond to be paid by Presbytery.'"

This paper was placed on docket until cost of said bond could be ascertained, whereupon the following were appointed a committee to make inquiry: Revs. J. D. Brent, E. A. Sample, and Elders A. H. Fry.

The case from Dills Run Ch. was put into

the hands of Stated Clerk to be held until Rev. R. P. Smith could communicate with the brother and ascertain his mind in the matter.

The Narration, submitted and approved, is as follows:

1. Attendance upon the services of the Sanctuary by members and others. Good in all the churches.
2. Observance of family worship.
Very poorly observed by nearly all.
3. Observance of the Lord's Day.
Pretty well kept by church members.
4. The training of children in home and Sabbath Schools. Usually good.
5. Fidelity of God's people in giving of their substance.
The people are usually faithful.
6. Have your churches paid their minister fully and promptly?
All have paid up except three.
7. Special evidences of spiritual life and growth.
There has been evidence of spiritual life and growth.
8. Does worldly conformity prevail?

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Not to any extent.
9. Most of our churches are doing evangelistic work.
10. All of our fields are supplied except one.

Report on church societies made, adopted and ordered to be sent to General assembly.

The following commissioners were elected to General assembly:
Principals Rev. S. N. Neville and J. H. Dillard.
Alternates Rev. R. S. Eskridge and A. M. Fry.

Next stated meeting of Presbytery to be at Swannanoa church Sept. 18, 1902, 7:30 P.M.

Rev. R. S. Eskridge and R. F. Young appointed on Devotional exercises.

Rev. J. D. Deyane made report on Young People's Societies which was adopted and ordered sent to Gen. Assembly.

Report on Sabbath Schools was made, adopted and ordered sent to Gen. Assembly.

Recess was taken until 8 P.M.

Evening Session

Presbytery met at 8 P.M. and resumed business.

A popular meeting in interest of

Home Missions was held, presided over by Rev. R. F. Campbell chm.

The report was received and the recommendations adopted, and is as follows:

It is with profound gratitude to the Lord of all the churches that your Committee presents its report of another year of substantial progress in the Home Mission work, the year closing, as the previous four years of our separate Presbyterial existence have closed, with all obligations to our workers met in full and a small balance in the treasury to the credit of Home Missions.

The following churches have received aid from the funds committed to our hands: Dillsboro and Bryson City, under pastoral care of Rev. T. A. Patton; Murphy and Andrews, vacant at present; Hayesville, Rev. T. F. Jones pastor; Robbinsville, Rev. J. D. Deyane pastor; Franklin, Morrison and Centre, Rev. E. A. Sample pastor; Highlands, vacant at present; Brevard and Davidson River, Rev. D. M. Douglas pastor; Mills River, Midway and Pisgah, vacant at present; Hendersonville, Rev. D. M. McDow pastor;

Oak Forest and Swannanoa, Rev. R. S. Eskridge pastor; Snyder Memorial and Christ Free Mission, under charge of Rev. S. D. Nesbee; Jennie Spear Memorial Church and Church of the Covenanters, Rev. E. MacDavis pastor.

1. Bryson City and Dillsboro -

Rev. T. A. Patton took charge of these churches Sept 1, 1901. Previous to that time our general evangelist, Rev. R. P. Smith, visited this field and preached for the people as often as practicable. There have been three members received at Bryson City and five at Dillsboro, all on profession of faith. The work at Dillsboro has been somewhat discouraging because of the removal of some of the members of the church and for various other reasons, but the outlook now is more hopeful, and the pastor is looking for a blessing on the work there.

At Bryson City the improvement is very marked. There is a stronger religious sentiment prevailing. The attendance is steadily growing. The poor are being gathered to the services, and the Sabbath School has

increased in numbers and interest.

Mr. Patton has opened a preaching point at Farmers school house, 3½ mi. north of Whittier. He finds a small band of Presbyterians there and regards the field a promising one.

2. Murphy and Andrews -

These churches were supplied for three months last summer by Bradshaw, a student of Columbia Theological Seminary. Since that time they have been without preaching except for the occasional services held by our evangelist.

3. Hayesville - This church is under the pastoral care of Rev. T. F. Jones. There have been two additions, one by letter, and one on profession of faith.

A Sabbath School has been organized, eight preaching points have been supplied, a school has been opened under charge of an excellent Presbyterian woman, whose influence for good has been unmistakable.

4. Robbinsville - This church was organized Nov. 1, 1901, by a commission

of the Presbytery. Rev. J. D. Deane who is the first Presbyterian minister to reside in Graham county, took charge of this field June 27, 1901, since which time twelve members have been received, five by letter and seven by profession of faith. Of these twelve fourteen members seven have recently removed to Ga. Seven infants have been baptized during the year.

Mr. Deane preaches at six points in the county. He writes, "I could preach at many more but think it best to concentrate," which goes to show that concentration is a relative term.

The congregations have been good and the outlook is encouraging.

Six schools were maintained during last summer. The attendance was small but the quality of the work done was good, and the teachers exerted a wholesome personal influence in the communities in which they taught.

A new building is nearing completion at Robbinsville which is to be used for the present for both church and

school purposes.

For the erection of this building the field contributed $142.98 in cash, $41.62 in labor, and 3500 ft. of lumber. Messrs. Dillard & Bell of Murphy donated a tract of land, which has been sold for $75. Messrs. R. S. Cooper and Marshall Bell $6.00 in cash; Mr. James G. Beemer of Yonkers N. Y. sent a check for $300. to which the 1st Pres. ch. of Yonkers, of which Mr. Beemer is a ruling elder, added $30.00. In addition to these contributions, the committee of Home Missions of the Synod of N.C. appropriated to the building fund $150. out of the Alexander Bequest. The hearty thanks of the Presbytery are due to these good friends of our work.

5. Franklin, Morrison, Centre under the pastoral care of Rev. E. A. Sample. Morrison church has had one addition on profession of faith. Franklin has had four added by letter and seven on profession of faith. Centre one by letter, making a total of thirteen additions in this field. $50.00 has been

expended in improvement on the Morrison Church building, and $350.00 on the building at Franklin.
Framing has been cut for the erection of a building at Centre.
Franklin Church has advanced from $75. to $100. in subscription to pastor's salary, which is a very gratifying evidence of increased interest and healthy growth. The other two churches report deficits on pastor's salary, Centre $20. Morison $20.
Mr. Sampley preaches at two Mission points during the winter and at five during the summer. Other points are calling for his services but it is only occasionally that he can respond to these invitations to preach. The prospect for a Railroad through this territory is very good, and if this road is built it will of course mean enlarged needs and opportunities for aggressive mission work.
6. Highlands. No have no organized church at this point, though there are

about 25 Presbyterian communicants living in and around Highlands. This field has been vacant for several months and we hope to employ a Seminary student to preach here during the summer months.
7. Bryson and Davidson River under the pastoral care of Rev. D. M. Douglas. At Bryson there have been seven additions to the church five by letter and two on profession of faith. The congregations have been uniformly good. Sabbath school is in a flourishing condition; a young people's missionary society has been organized which has raised $26. for Foreign Missions. This church has contributed nearly $700. for all purposes; $400. for pastor's salary, $200. for church improvements, and about $75.00 for benevolent causes. There is a deficit of $57.00 on pastor's salary caused by uncollectable subscriptions.
The subscription list this year has

been formed, an additional deacon has been elected, and it is believed that the full amount subscribed will be promptly paid. On the whole, this church is in decidedly better condition than ever before in its history. A Mission Sabbath school has been established and is under the care of the session. One of the ruling elders is supt. and several of the good women of the church render faithful and efficient service as teachers. There are over 100 scholars enrolled in this school, and, in spite of bad weather, the average attendance has been very good.

The report from the Davidson River Ch. is not so good. There are very few children in the congregation, and there is lack of aggressive missionary spirit on the part of the members, though there are some truly consecrated people in the church.

The pastor's salary has been paid in full, and $100. has been raised to complete the church building, for the

of which facts are encouraging. It is also gratifying to learn that with the aid of $50. raised by our evangelist, a chapel 26 X 30 ft. has been built at Little River, and that mission work has been opened at this point under care of session of Davidson River church. There is a Sabbath school with an enrollment of 60 scholars. Thirty-six of these have learned the Child's Cat. Catechism, and eleven the Shorter Catechism, and have received testaments and Bibles for so doing.

In the Brevard and Davidson River field, as a whole, about $1000. has been raised, there are about 300 children in Sabbath schools, and the pastor is indefatigable in his labors, preaching three times two Sabbaths in the month, and twice the remaining Sabbaths, besides working in the S.S. Truly there is much that is encouraging in present condition of this field, and there must be a large harvest from the diligent and

faithful endeavoring in these churches and their mission schools.

8. Mills River, Midway and Reston.

This field was served last summer by Mr. C. C. Brown, a student of Louisville Theological Seminary. Since that time our evangelist has given them an occasional service. Mr. Brown has been called to become pastor, and it is hoped that he will accept the call. There are evidences of increasing spiritual interest during the month of his service in this field.

9. Hendersonville – under the pastoral care of Rev. D. M. McDow. Though this church has suffered heavy losses by death and removal of several valuable members, it is in good condition, and the outlook is very encouraging. There have been 19 additions to the membership, 11 by letter and 8 on profession of faith. The pastor's salary has been paid in full, at a sacrifice. A new church building is very much needed to meet the demands of the growing

congregation. A movement to this end has been inaugurated, which has resulted so far in raising $500, in cash, with subscriptions amounting to $1200.

Mr. McDow preaches at two mission points, Pleasant Hill and Mill Pond, at the latter point there is a flourishing S.S. and the congregations are large and attentive. Sometime ago a lot was given for the erection of a church building, and lumber for the framing was donated. On account of delay in building, this lumber has been somewhat damaged. $50. has recently been raised for this building, and there is good prospect of its early completion.

10. Brevard and Oak Forest, under pastoral care of Rev. R. S. Eskridge. There has been one addition to Brevard on profession of faith. The pastor's salary has been paid in full, and the church has gone beyond the apportionment

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for Benevolent causes. The congregation is contemplating substantial improvements in the church building. Mr. Eskridge preaches at two mission points in the bounds of this congregation, both of which are fairly promising. On the whole, the outlook in this field is brighter than for many years past. Oak Forest ch. has paid the pastor's salary in full, has come within a small sum of meeting all its apportionments, and has spent something on repairing its building. This church carries on a mission S. School at Branda, and the pastor preaches there regularly.

11. Snyder Memorial and Crab Tree Mission

These missions are under the charge of Rev. L. D. Nessle, who has preached regularly at both points to good congregations. Mr. Nessle taught for six and one-fourth months in the Snyder Memorial academy, and whilst the attendance has not been large, the students have given themselves diligently to their work and their progress has been very satisfactory. It is the hope of the Home Missions Committee to put

this work on an enlarged basis before the next meeting of Presbytery, and the outlook for the work is promising. We have purchased a home for our workers at a cost of over $800.00 and money is in hand for improving the property. Our good friend, Mr. Walter M. Smith, shows unabating interest in the work in this field, and has increased his annual subscription to its support. Our Home Mission work has no truer friends than he, and we pray that God will raise up more like him.

12. Jennie Spear Memorial & Church of the Covenanter

Rev. E. MacDavis, pastor.

I. Jennie Spear Memorial church.

Received on profession of faith - 26
Received by letter - 4
Infants baptized - 1
Sunday School - 6 months average - 40
Secular School - 6½ months average 25
Taught by Miss Flora Ferguson of Canton N.C.
Rev. Wm Black conducted a week's meeting at this church in October.

II. Church of the Covenanter -

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Received on profession of faith — 18
Received by letter — 1
Infants baptized — 4
Sunday School — 3 mos. average 20
Secular School — 2 mos. average 20.
Taught by Miss Maybelle Rea of Mecklenburg Co. N.C.
Rev. D. M. Douglas conducted revival meeting at this church in November.
House dedicated by Rev. R. P. Smith in November. Lumber and land for manse — five room cottage, acre and three quarter lot given by congregation.
House occupied since July.
Mr. H. H. Cassady of Mission Seminary spent the vacation of 1901 in a remote section of Madison County. He received the donation of a building site for a church. He has raised $300. for the erection of a church. (outside of the field). Considerable lumber has been subscribed by the people in the field. Mr. Cassady expects to enter the work again this month. Miss Annie McDonnell of Jackson Michigan taught a successful school

for three months last summer at Fence Fork of Little Dry. Misunderstandings among the people has prevented the erection of the house for which lumber has been down for a year.
Miss Bessie Black of Sampson county, N.C. Taught one month at Sturgeon Branch, Buncombe county last fall. She was compelled to give up the work on account of illness.
Four moonshiners captured.
Funds for two teachers' salaries for three months have been secured.
Miss Flora Ferguson and Miss Ethel Buchan have been employed for the session — the former need begin school May 1st, the latter June 1st
13. Our general Evangelist Rev. R. P. Smith, has been indefatigable and most efficient in his labors, and the committee puts an increasing estimate on the value of his services.

Recommendations:

1. That the appropriations of aid be removed to those churches, or groups of churches, that have fully met their

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obligations to their pastors, and that the Committee of Home Missions be empowered ad interim to make such changes in these appropriations as may be justified by circumstances.

2. That the churches receiving aid be urged to advance towards the point of self-support as rapidly as possible, that the Presbytery's funds may be used as largely as possible for the opening of new work.

3. That pastors and sessions be urged to see to it that the churches under their care raise the full amount apportioned to them for the work of Presbyterial Home Mission.

4. That Rev. R. P. Smith be selected general evangelist of the Presbytery for the ensuing year.

5. That Rev. R. P. Smith be requested to act as Treasurer until next stated meeting of Presbytery.

Rev. J. E. Abernethy of M. E. ch. both was invited seat as a visiting brother and introduced to Presbytery.

Adjourned with prayer until 9 A.M. tomorrow.

Third Day - Morning Session -
Thurs. Apr. 24, 1902.

Presbytery met at 9 A.M. and after devotional exercise resumed business. Minutes read and approved. A communication from Rev. S. L. Morris was referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

The following persons were appointed to fill vacancies -

1. On Committee of Home Missions
J. D. Murphy and Clayborne James.
2. Foreign Missions - T. W. DeVance
3. Sessional Records - T. A. Patton and T. T. Jones.
4. Examination of Candidates on 3rd Com.
S. N. Merrell and D. M. Douglas.
5. Stated Clerk - E. A. Sandifer (re-elected).
6. Doctrinal Sermon "Perseverance of Saints".
S. N. Merrell, (prim.) D. M. Douglas (alternate)

Ordered that after report of Foreign Missions tonight a Memorial service be held in memory of Rev. D. T. Fowler, and Revs. T. D. Hunt and S. N. Merrell to present a paper on the subject.

Rev. D. M. Douglas made a report on "Sabbath School graded lessons" which was adopted and ordered sent to Gen. Assembly

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Prof. N. J. Martin of Davidson College made an address on Education, and the following paper was adopted: Resolved that the Presbytery has heard with great pleasure the address of D. N. J. Martin and that this body desires to place on record its sense of pride in the noble work of this institution in behalf of Christian education, and that the Presbytery heartily commend this college to the patronage of our people and pledge itself to further, in every possible way, the interest of this blessed institution.

Recess until 8 P.M.

Evening Session 8 P.M.

Presbytery met and resumed business.

Rev. D. M. Douglas, Chm. of Foreign Missions, presented his report and made an address showing the encouraging condition of the work. By request Revs. J. A. Patton and R. F. Campbell followed with impressive talks. Report was received and the recommendations adopted.

The memorial service in memory of Rev. D. T. Fowler was then held, and the following paper adopted:

Rev. Daniel Thomas Fowler died at his home, Crab Tree, N.C. Dec. 18, 1901. He was born in Northumberland County, Va. Nov. 21, 1822, and was the son of Thomas and Margaret Delaney Fowler. His father was a Cooper, and on his mother's side he was a grandson of Judge Delaney, of Philadelphia, a man of note in that day. He was educated at Leadmine Academy and the University of N.C., where he took the degree of B.A. in 1849. He studied Theology at Union Seminary, Va., from which he graduated in 1852. He was licensed by the Presbytery of Orange in 1852, and ordained by Presbytery of Fayetteville in 1853. For several years he labored in eastern part of the state, serving the Chs. of Speedwell, Green Grove, Lillington, Keith, Mt. Williams, and Mt. Edwards. In 1865 he moved to Bethel Presbytery, where he supplied the Six Mile Creek Ch. for two years, going from there to Rocky Mount, N.C. which was then a mission point. From there he went to Meadow Creek, Tenn. in 1868; and in 1870 he came to Broken N.C. as a home missionary and teacher at Sandersville

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from which place he came to Haywood county in 1874, serving the church at Bethel and teaching as principal of the academy. While thus engaged, he preached at various mission points. Then in 1876 he moved to Cerro Gordo, where he purchased a farm. He still continued to preach, and was the organizer of the Waynesville Ch. where he did faithful service. Later he was colporteur for the American Bible Society, and then for the Synod of N.C. up to the time when his feeble health forced him to give up his much loved work. As colporteur he went all over the state, having the Word of God in many a home, praying with and instructing the people from house to house, and preaching on Sunday wherever he could get the opportunity. The last six years of his life he was an invalid, confined to his house, and was a great sufferer, but in it all he was never heard to murmur or complain, and with full confidence in the love of his Savior he bore his trials with a patience that was remarkable. Patience and consecration were his virtues that were

always prominent in his life and conduct. His was the courtesy of the Virginia gentleman of the old school. He was present when the North Carolina Presbyterian was founded, and was a constant reader thereof up to his death. On Jan. 7th 1855 he was married to Miss Mary H. Beatty, of Bladen Co., N.C. who advanced in years and feeble in body, survives him with three children, John D. and Jane B. Fowler, of Cerro Gordo, N.C. and Mrs. Bertha Townsend, of Ramona, Robeson Co, N.C.

When he went to Cerro Gordo in 1876, their house, with all their furniture, was burned the first night they were there; and again in Aug. 1900, his home was destroyed by fire, and they saved nothing. Thus in old age he was deprived of the comforts he had labored so to prepare, living in a small cabin on his place. His devoted wife and his living son and daughter, and his son's wife ministered to his wants with tender love and care, and everything in their power was done for him.

After his house was burned, he gave a lot to Asheville Presbytery, on which has been erected

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a very pretty little Church and School-house combined, and a dwelling for the teacher; and on a beautiful knoll a few yards from this church his body was laid to rest Dec. 18, 1901."

Rev. F. D. Hunt presented the report on Systematic Beneficence which was received, adopted and ordered sent to the General Assembly, and is as follows:

Objects	No. Congregations contributing	Amounts
Foreign Missions	14	$723.56
Assembly's H. Missions	11	98.29
Local H. Missions	13	1591.50
Colored Evangelization	10	31.73
Ministerial Relief	13	55.42
Education	13	172.31
Publication	8	31.29
Bible Cause	6	20.98
Total		2720.08

6 Chs. contributed to 8 objects
1 " " " 7 "
2 " " " 6 "
2 " " " 3 "
3 " " " 2 "
5 " " " 1 "
2 " " " None

Raymondville, N. C. Apr. 1902

Adjourned until tomorrow at 9 A.M.

Fourth Day

Friday Apr. 25, 1902.

Presbytery met at 9 A.M. and after devotional exercises business resumed. The Moderator made satisfactory explanation why the previous session had not been closed with prayer. Minutes read and approved. Rev. H. R. Dreesch was granted permission to labor outside of the bounds of Presbytery until fall meeting. The Treasurer made following report which was received and approved.

From Oct. 1st 1901 to Apr. 24, 1902	Rec'd		Disb.		Bal.	
Bible Society	17	89	16	89	1	00
Orphanage (B. S.)	54	48	51	96	2	52
Ch. of Mass. Election	1469	09	1312	03	157	06
Col. Evangelization	23	66	18	13	5	43
Education (Min.)	32	61	25	34	7	27
Ch. of Christian Education	60	00	20	00	40	00
Foreign Missions	327	39	308	49	18	90
Home Missions (G. A)	59	64	55	32	4	32
Home Missions (Syn)	6	82	3	67	3	15
Home Missions (Pres)	3280	32	3215	13	65	19
Indian Schools	5	28	3	19	2	09
Presbyterial App. Fund	149	00	15	00	134	00
Publication of Cor.	26	63	21	10	5	53
Ministerial Relief	29	18	43	82	14	64
P. S. Secretary	3	00	3	00		

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The committee on Christian Education in their report urged our people to be liberal in supporting this cause. During the past year $60.00 had been contributed.

This report was received approved and ordered sent to Rev. J. B. Shearer, D.D.

Rev. F. D. Hunt was appointed agt. of Assembly's H. Missions whose duty it shall be to present this cause fully at each fall meeting of Presbytery and to keep the churches in touch with the assembly's work of Home Mission.

The committee on Sessional Records made report which was received and approved. The following paper was adopted: "Resolved that the Treasurer of Presbytery be directed to prepare and send down to the churches in the name of the Presbytery a letter setting forth the importance of all church Treasurers and S.S. Secretaries promptly sending to the Presbyterial Treasurer all collections for all causes."

The Stated Clerk made statistical report which was received, adopted and ordered sent

to General assembly.

The committee on Minutes of Synod made report and urged the Chs. to take at least one collection for the Barium Springs Orphanage as called for by the Synod - p 386. Report received and approved.

The auditing committee made report which was received and approved.

Committee on Leave of Absence made following report which was received and approved:

Excused for non attendance Elder J. L. Evans, for tardiness Elder A. M. Fry.

Excused after 3rd. morning Elder J. H. Dillard.

" " Thurs. " Rev. D. M. McDer and N. P. Rankin.

Excused after Thurs. morning A. J. Osborne.

The matter of placing the Treasurer under bond was taken up and it was ordered that he be required to give bond in the sum of $2000.00

Stated Clerk was instructed to get information as to Licentiate Drury before next regular meeting.

Rev. R. S. Eskridge was given Evangelistic power among the mission points of his field.

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Section 58 of Manual was ordered to be stricken out.

Revs. T. D. Hunt and T. D. DeVane were appointed to remain over Sabbath at next meeting of Presbytery.

The following paper of thanks adopted: "Resolved that the Presbytery hereby returns hearty thanks to the pastor and members of the Waynesville Presbyterian Church, and other citizens of the community for the bountiful hospitality accorded to us during our stay in this beautiful mountain town."

Minutes read and approved and the Presbytery of Asheville with the usual form adjourned to meet with the Swannanoa church Sept. 16, 1902 at 7.30 P.M.

R. S. Eskridge Mod.
D. M. McDow Temp. Clk.

Attest
E. A. Sampler S.C.

Examined and approved by Synod at Winston, N.C. Oct. 24th 1902
C. T. Cardell
Moderator

Thirteenth Session

The minutes not having been written by the former State's Clerk for reasons explained to the Presbytery in open session & I not finding time to do the back work before entering the minutes of the Bryson City session at which I was elected State's Clerk. I have pasted a printed copy of the Swannanoa minutes in the book at this point.

F. D. Hunt S.C.

Asheville Presbytery met in the First Presbyterian Church Asheville, Dec'r 16th 1902 according to call, which is as follows:
"The Constitutional requirements having been met. I do hereby call Asheville Presbytery to meet on Dec'r 16th 1902 at 3 P.M. in the First Presbyterian Church of Asheville N.C. for the purpose of considering the resignation of Rev. D. M. McKinnon as pastor of Hendersonville Church, to take effect Dec'r 20th 1902, & dismiss him to the Presbytery of Charleston if the way be clear. Also to consider the resignation of Rev. R. S. Eskridge as pastor of the Swannanoa Church to take effect Dec 20th, 1902 and to dismiss him to the Presbytery of Memphis if the way be clear.

D. M. Douglas, Mod."

After prayer by Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D. the following were found to be present; Ministers: D. M. Douglas, R. S. Eskridge, R. F. Campbell, Jas Yancell, D. M. McKinnon and R. P. Smith. Ruling Elders: S. W. Davidson and J. V. Brown.

R. P. Smith was chosen Clerk Pro Tem.

Dec'r 16th 1902.

Rev. D.M. McKinnon offered his resignation as pastor of the Hendersonville Church. A paper from said church was read stating that a congregational meeting had been held and that they agreed to concur with the pastor in asking Presbytery to dissolve the relation. On motion the request was granted and Brother McDow was given a certificate of dismission to Charleston Presbytery.

Rev R.S. Eskridge presented his resignation as pastor of Swannanoa Church. It was shown that a congregational meeting had been held Dec'r 7th, that the pastor's resignation had been carefully considered and that by a unanimous vote they refused to concur in asking for a dissolution.

After full discussion of the matter Presbytery refused to grant the request for a dissolution. Closed with prayer by the Moderator

D.M. Douglas, Mod.

R.P. Smith, Pro tem. Pastor

Attest,

E.A. Sample S.C.

The Presbytery of Asheville met at the call of the Moderator, in the study of the First Presbyterian Church, Asheville, at 3 P.M. February 24th 1903 to consider a request from Rev. T.A. Patton for a dissolution of the pastoral relation between him and the churches of Dillsboro and Bryson City and for a certificate of dismissal to the Presbytery of Nashville.

Present:- Revs. R.P. Smith, T.A. Patton - R.H. Campbell, D.D., and Ruling Elder J.V. Brown

Rev R.P. Smith the last Moderator present called the Presbytery to order and opened the meeting with Prayer. Rev. R.H. Campbell was appointed Temporary Clerk.

Rev. T.A. Patton presented his request in person and resolutions from the churches concerned, regretfully concurring in the request were read. On motion the request was granted and the Stated Clerk was instructed to furnish Bro. Patton with a certificate of dismissal to the Presbytery of Nashville. The meeting was closed with prayer by Rev. R.H. Campbell.

Attest

R.H. Campbell, Tem. Clerk

E.A. Sample, Stated Clerk.

Bryson City, N.C. April 7th 1903.

The Presbytery of Asheville met in regular Spring session in the Presbyterian church at Bryson City, N.C. on Tuesday April 7th 1903 at 8:30 PM and was opened with a sermon by Rev. D.M. Douglas, the retiring moderator, from John V:39 after which the Presbytery was called to order and constituted with prayer by the moderator.

Roll called.

The roll was then called and the following found to be present, Ministers: R. H. Campbell, D.D. E. A. Sample, E. McC. Davis, G. D. Hunt, R. P. Smith, R. S. Eskridge, D.M. Douglas, T. W. DeVane, S. W. Newell, C. C. Brown, R. B. Grinnan.

Ruling Elders: B. R. Fakes, Asheville First Church, N. P. Rawlin, Franklin; E. L. Slagle, Morrison; D.M. Killian, Waynesville; W. S. Terrell, Bethel; A.M. Fry, Bryson City; W. L. DeWitt, Dillsboro.

Organization

Ruling Elder, D.M. Killian of the Waynesville church was elected Moderator, and Rev. S. W. Newell was elected as Temporary Clerk.

Rev. R. B. Grinnan, of the Presbytery of Louisville was invited to sit as a corresponding member and was introduced to the Presbytery.

Rev. T. F. Deitz of the Baptist church was invited to sit as a visiting brother and was introduced to the Presbytery.

Rev. R. P. Smith was substituted for Rev. T. A. Patton as a member of the Committee on Devotional Exercises, brother Patton having moved beyond our bounds.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises made a report which was adopted and which is as follows: (1) That the daily sessions of Presbytery be from 9. A.M. to 12 M; from 2 P.M. to 5. P.M. and from 8. P.M. ad libitum. (2) That Rev R. B. Grinnan preach tomorrow morning at eleven o'clock.

Presbytery then adjourned, with prayer by Rev. R. S. Eskridge until 9. A.M. tomorrow.

Wednesday, 9. A.M. April 8th 1903.

After Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. D.M. Douglas, Presbytery was called to order and the minutes of last evening's session were read and approved.

REV. R. B. GRINNAN RECEIVED AND CALL FOR HIM FROM HENDERSONVILLE CHURCH.

Rev. R. B. Grinnan presented a letter of dismissal from the Presbytery of Louisville, and after due examination he was received as a member of this Presbytery.

A call from the Hendersonville church for the pastoral services of Rev. R. B. Grinnan was presented and being found to be in

order according to the requirements of the book of church order, it was placed in his hands. The terms of the call were, for whole time, salary Five Hundred Dollars (Fifty) ($550.00) per year, payable in regular monthly installments. He having signified his acceptance of said call, the following order was taken for his installation as pastor of the Hendersonville church; Time; the fourth Sabbath in April 1903, Rev. R. H. Campbell, D.D. to preside, preach and propound the constitutional questions Rev. S. W. Newell to charge the pastor and Ruling Elder J. D. Murphy of the 1st Church Asheville to charge the people.

ORDER FOR INSTALLATION OF REV. R. B. GRINNAN

A petition from the Waynesville church was presented, asking for permission to change the terms of the call for the pastoral services of Rev. Frank D. Hunt from three-fourths time to whole time at a salary of ($750.00) Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars per annum, payable monthly, said change to take effect from June the 1st next. As the granting this request would involve the dissolution of the pastoral relation now existing between Bro. Hunt and the Bethel church, for one-fourth of his time it was ordered that the consideration of this matter be defered to an adjourned

PETITION OF WAYNESVILLE CHURCH TO CHANGE TERMS OF CALL FOR REV. F. D. HUNT.

AND ORDER FOR ADJOURNED MEETING

meeting of Presbytery to be held in the First church Asheville at 4 P.M. April 28th 1903. and that the Bethel church be cited to appear by its commissioners at said adjourned meeting and show cause if any they can why the request of the Waynesville church should not be granted.

The Moderator appointed the following standing committees;

STANDING COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

1. Bills & Overtures — D. M. Douglas and N. P. Rankin
2. Auditing — Frank D. Hunt and E. L. Slagle.
3. Doctrinal Sermon and Nominations — R. P. Smith and W. L. DeWitt.
4. Leave of Absence — C. C. Brown and A. M. Fry
5. Narrative — E. Mac. Davis and B. R. Fakes.
6. Minutes of Synod — F. D. Hunt & W. S. Tewell.
7. Sessional Records — T. W. DeVane, F. F. Jones, W. S. Tewell & N. P. Rankin
8. Sabbath Schools — R. S. Eastridge
9. Systematic Beneficence — R. B. Grinnan & W. L. DeWitt.

ORDER FOR POPULAR MEETING FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Tonight at 8 O'clock was set apart as the time for hearing the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions, and for the popular meeting in behalf of the cause of Foreign Missions.

ORDER FOR MEETING IN BEHALF OF HOME MISSIONS.

Tomorrow (Thursday) night was set apart for the popular meeting in behalf of the cause of Home Missions and to hear the report of the Committee on that cause.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

The report of the Treasurer of Presbytery, Rev. R.P. Smith was read and referred to the Auditing Committee.

REFERRED.

The overture of the General Assembly as to the "Latin Thesis" was taken up and after some

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discussion, Presbytery recessed from business for preaching and then took recess until 2. P.M.

Afternoon 2. P.M.

OVERTURE OF ASSEMBLY ANSWERED.

Presbytery came to order and resumed the consideration of the unfinished business viz: "The Latin Thesis". After considerable discussion by a vote of nine to five it was decided to answer the overture of the General Assembly on this subject in the negative, i.e. not to strike it out of the Book of Church Order.

COMMISSIONERS TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

After prayer for Divine guidance Presbytery proceeded to the election of Commissioners to the next General Assembly, and the following were chosen viz:

Rev Frank L. Hunt and Elder T.S. Bowell - Principals.
Rev. R.S. Eskridge and Elder D.M. Killian, - Alternates.

TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING.

Davidson River Church was chosen as the place and October 6th 1903, at 7:30 P.M. (Tuesday) as the time for the next Stated meeting of Presbytery, and D.M. Douglas & L.C. Steele were appointed as Committee of Arrangements and Devotional Exercises for said meeting.

Recess was taken until 8. P.M.

Evening Session 8. P.M.

REPORT AND MEETING IN BEHALF OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

Presbytery was called to order and after a few minutes spent in devotional exercises, Rev. D.M. Douglas, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Missions presented his report, which was received and pending action thereon he presented Rev. R. B. Grinnan as the speaker for the popular meeting now to be held for this cause. Bro Grinnan made a very interesting and instructive address on the manners, morals and spiritual condition of Japan, after which a collection was taken for this cause amounting to ($8 22/100) eight & 22/100 dollars.

The Committee on the Narrative then made their report which was adopted and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly and which is as follows:

"Narrative of the Presbytery of Asheville for the year ending March 31st 1903.

NARRATIVE TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY

1. Attendance upon the service of the Sanctuary by members and by others.—
We find in 18 of Churches report good. In 3 lack of interest.

2. The observance of family worship.— Some of them report that family worship is generally observed. The large majority report that it is sadly neglected.

3. The Observance of the Lord's Day by members—
The Lords Day we find is well observed.

4. The training of children and youth in the home and Sabbath-school in the Scriptures & Catechisms of the church— The most of our people are leaving the religious training of our children to the Sabbath-schools.

5. Fidelity of God's people in worshiping the Lord with their substance.— *All the churches but six report as having paid their pastors in full, and these six only owe small balances.

6. Have your churches paid their ministers fully & promptly the amounts paid them. (See answer above to 5.).

* Answer to 5. should be: "We find this good in all the churches.

NARRATIVE CONTINUED.

7. Special evidences of spiritual life and growth and activity in the churches.— Only four of these report affirmatively.

8. Does worldly conformity prevail among church members?— We find that the reports state to no very alarming extent.

9. Evangelistic Work outside the churches— All of the ministers do Evangelistic work. We find the members of one church are doing special aggressive mission work.

10. The supply of your churches with the ministration of the Word.— Two groups of churches are temporarily vacant.

We beg to report what has been accomplished during the past six years.
In the eleven counties composing this Presbytery we had six years ago, seventeen organized Presbyterian churches, now we have twenty three, and also twenty six well established mission points. Then we had 950 members, now 1450. Then we had seven ministers; now we have fifteen. During this time we have erected twelve buildings, houses for worship and manses, at an average cost of $750.00 each, and all bills are paid.
Twenty three additional Sabbath Schools have

been organized, in which over a thousand more children and young people have been reached. We also note with pleasure that the increase in offerings to Pastor's salaries are 175 per cent, and to other causes 158%."

R.F. CAMPBELL AND P.P. JONES, ENROLLED.

Rev R. F. Campbell, D.D, and Rev. F. F. Jones appeared and were enrolled.

Presbytery after prayer adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Thursday 9 A.M. April 9th 1903

Presbytery met and after devotional exercises resumed business. The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was taken up, its recommendations adopted, and then adopted as a whole and is as follows;

REPORT OF FOREIGN MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Your Committee of Foreign Missions beg leave to report, that nearly all our churches have contributed to this important cause. The whole amount contributed by the Presbytery for the year is $1000.45/100. The amount contributed last year was $728.00 making a gain this year over last of $272.45.

In one sense this is encouraging, but in another it is not for all the gain came from the Asheville 1st church & the Waynesville church, and the other churches of the Presbytery have hardly come up to what they gave last year. Last year Asheville 1st Church gave $597 and this year it gives $845.46, a gain of $248.46. and the rest of the Presbytery this year gives $154.99. We recommend that our churches & ministers strive earnestly to keep this important cause before our people and urge them forward to large contributions.

D. M. Douglas, Chmn.

LETTER FROM ASSEMBLY'S SEC'Y OF EDUCATION, REFERRED.

A communication from the General Assembly's Secretary of Education was read and referred to our committee of Education. The committee on Sabbath Schools made a report which was adopted and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly. This report shows a total of 23 sabbath schools with 132 teachers, officers, & 1451 scholars; total number of teachers, officers and scholars 1583. Scholars admitted to the communion 36.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON S. SCHOOLS SENT TO THE ASSEMBLY.

Contributions; for current expenses $266.34, for other objects $219.73, Total $486.07.

REPORT ON Y.P. SOCIETIES. SENT TO ASSEMBLY.

The Same Committee made a report on Young People's Societies, which was adopted and ordered forwarded to the General Assembly. This report shows 8 societies with a membership of 145 total, and contributions to benevolent causes amounting to $171.16.

REPORT OF COM. ON SESSIONAL RECORDS.

The Committee on Sessional records made their report, and such criticisms as were sustained were directed to be written in each session's book, and the report as a whole was then adopted.

OVERTURE BY N. P. RANKIN REFERRED.

N. P. Rankin offered an overture to Presbytery asking it to interpret Sec 12. Par 5 of the Manual, and this overture was referred to the Committee on Bills & Overtures.

REPORT OF AUDITING COMITTEE.

The Auditing Committee offered this report which was adopted and which is as follows:

"Your Auditing Committee would respectfully report that so far as the limited time at our disposal would permit we have carefully examined the Treasurer's books and find them neatly kept, with system and care and we think that the thanks

of the Presbytery are due and we hereby tender them to Rev R. P. Smith our Treasurer for his fidelity in this matter, which has added much to his busy and arduous position of Presbyterial Evangelist, without increasing his compensation at all. It has come to the knowledge of your Committee that our treasurer has paid out of his own pocket the expense of postage, stationary &c attendant upon the office of treasurer. We recommend that the Presbytery instruct the Home Missions Committee to draw a check at their regular monthly meetings in behalf of Bro Smith to cover the expenses of this nature for the preceding month.

INSTRUCTIONS TO HOME MISSIONS COMMITTEE.

We would suggest that the very limited time, at the disposal of an auditing Committee during the session of Presbytery makes it impossible for such a Committee to make a full and thorough examination of the Treasurers books for the whole preceding year, and it having come to the knowledge of your Committee that the Presbytery's Committee of Home Missions has a sub-Committee, who at each monthly meeting of said Committee carefully audit the Treasurer's book for the preceding month, verifying all receipts and

disbursements, as to all Home Mission funds, we think that with the open page before them it would be very little more work to examine the account of the funds for all causes. Therefore we recommend that the Presbytery instruct said Home Missions Committee to make such examination monthly, and to certify to the Presbytery at each spring meeting that they have done so, and this shall be in lieu of the cursory examination of the present Presbyterial Auditing Committee at Presbytery.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR AUDITING AND REPORT ON TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

Respectfully submitted
Frank D. Hunt } Com.
E. L. Slagle

TRESURER BONDED.

P.S. The Treasurer has been bonded in the sum of $1000.00 in a surety company.

The report of the standing committee on minutes of Synod was read and pending discussion thereof, business was recalled from, according to previous order, for the observance of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. After which Presbytery took recess until 2 o'clock P.M.

Afternoon Session, 2. P.M. April 9th 1903.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINUTES of SYNOD.

After prayer by the moderator Presbytery resumed business. The unfinished business consideration of the Report on minutes of Synod was taken up and adopted and is as follows: "The Committee on minutes of the Synod would call the attention to the recommendations of Synod as follows:

1st. On page of Synod's minutes 569, as to the Sabbath and Committee on the Sabbath. We recommend the compliance on the part of the Presbytery with these recommendations.

2nd. On page 583, as to Publication and colportage. We urge our pastors and sessions to heed the Synodical recommendations, nos. 1 & 2.

3rd. On page 596. Synod apportions $50.00 to our Presbytery to be raised for Church and Christian Education.

4th. On page 602, as to Ministerial Education, we urge compliance with recommendations nos. 1 & 2.

5th. On pages 602 & 603, as to Synodical & Assembly's Home Missions, we urge the hearty co-operation of Presbytery and pastors and sessions in

sustaining and carrying out Synod's plan & recommendations.

Respectfully Submitted.
F. D. Hunt } Committee
W. S. Terrell. }

The report of the Nominating Committee was read and with its recommendations was adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

The Committee on Nominations recommend that the following be appointed Agents of Presbytery; T. W. DeVane – Bible Cause: R. B. Grinnan – Sabbath Schools and Missionary Societies: C. C. Brown – Ministerial Relief. That the following be appointed on committees, On the Sabbath – S. W. Newell, E. Mac. Davis, & W. S. Terrell. On Sessional Records – R. S. Eskridge and S. W. Newell.

DOCTRINAL SERMON AT NEXT PRESBYTERY.

That Rev. R. B. Grinnan be appointed to preach the doctrinal sermon at the next regular meeting of Presbytery – Subject: Sanctification. and that Rev C. C. Brown be his alternate.

MINISTER TO REMAIN OVER AND PREACH AFTER NEXT PRESBYTERY.

That Rev. R. S. Eskridge principal, & Rev. E. Mac. Davis, alternate be appointed to remain over after the meeting of Presbytery and preach for the Davidson River flock the following Sabbath.

SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE AND STATISTICAL REPORTS

The Report on Systematic Beneficence was made out, adopted and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

The Statistical Report was read, adopted and ordered to be sent to the General Assembly.

OVERTURE TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The following overture was adopted and ordered to be sent to the General Assembly.

"The Presbytery of Asheville does hereby overture the General Assembly to add to the Statistical Report a column in which to express the offerings of the church for Orphans Homes, so that we may be able to know what the church gives to this, as well as to the other benevolent causes".

HELP ASKED FOR MRS D. T. TOWLES

The Agent for Ministerial Relief was instructed to ask the General Assembly's Committee for 25^{00}. in behalf of the widow of the late Rev. D. T. Towles.

REV. E. A. SAMPLE RESIGNED AS STATED CLERK.

The Rev. E. A. Sample tendered his resignation as Stated Clerk of the Presbytery, which having been accepted, Rev. Frank D. Hunt was elected as Stated Clerk, to take effect after this Stated meeting.

REV. F. D. HUNT ELECTED TO SUCCEED HIM.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BILLS & OVERTURES. ON N. P. RANKIN'S OVERTURE

The Committee on Bills and Overtures reported that they could not make the meaning of Par 5. Sec 12. of the Manual any plainer

and this report was adopted as the answer to an overture referred to them.

REPORT OF COM. ON THE SABBATH.

The Committee on the Sabbath read their answer to the General Assembly's questions which was approved and ordered to be sent to the General Assembly's Committee on the Sabbath.

Rev. R. P. Smith, Presbytery's Agent for Publication and Colportage made a verbal report which was approved.

E.A. SAMPLE. ELECTED. CH.M'N OF COLORED. EVANGELISTIC. WORK.

Rev. Frank D. Hunt resigned his place as chairman of Colored Evangelistic Work, and Rev. E. A. Sample was elected as his successor on that Committee.

REPORT OF COM. ON E+D. INSTITUTE

Rev. R. P. Smith chairman of the Committee on Elder & Deacon's Institute reported verbally that there was nothing to report, and asked that his Committee be discharged, and this was accordingly so done!

The minutes were read an approved as far as written.

Recess was then taken until 8 P.M.

Evening Session, April 9th 1903. 8 P.M.

POPULAR MEETING FOR HOME MISSIONS

Presbytery convened at 8 P.M. and the standing order was taken up. viz: A Popular meeting in behalf of the cause of Home Missions. Rev. R. H. Campbell, D.D. chairman of the Committee presided and after conducting devotional exercises, read his report. Pending the consideration of this report interesting addresses were made by Revs. J. W. DeVane, E. Mac. Davis and R. P. Smith. The report was then approved and its recommendations adopted.

REPORT OF HOME MISSIONS COMMITTEE

This report reviewed the work in the various fields in detail, showing what has been done in each field. Progress and activity have marked the work of the past year, fidelity & earnestness have characterized the workers and God's blessing rested upon their labors. The report closes as follows: "This completes the general survey of our Mission fields, and we find much reason to thank God and take courage. Ninety five members have been received in the mission fields, and there has been general improvement and encouragement all along the line. Our General Evangelist Rev. R. P. Smith

has been indefatigable in his labors, and the Committee cannot express too strongly their appreciation of his faithfulness & efficiency. Much of the success of our work is due to the policy of having a general evangelist, and we feel that we have the right man for the place.

Recommendations.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF HOME MISSIONS COMMITTEE

1st. That the churches receiving aid from the Home Missions funds be urged to increase their subscriptions to pastors salary as rapidly as possible in order that the Home Missions funds may be devoted more and more to the opening of new work.

2nd. That Pastors and Sessions be instructed to take collections in all churches for all the benevolent objects, and to endeavor to get every church to meet its apportionments, especially for the cause of Home Missions.

3rd. That Rev. R. P. Smith be elected general evangelist for another year.

4th. That any changes in groupings and appropriations be left to the discretion of the Home Missions Committee."

Rev. C. C. Brown made the report of the committee on leave of absence, which

REPORT OF COM. ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE

was adopted and is as follows: "D. R. H. Campbell & Rev. F. F. Jones gave sufficient excuses for tardiness and were excused. Rev. F. F. Jones was granted leave of absence after the Thursday afternoon Session."

C. C. Brown, Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.

The following resolution was adopted and ordered to be read from the pulpit of this church next Sunday, to wit: "Since the people of Bryson City have been so kind to us and so thoughtful about our comfort and pleasure, the Presbytery of Asheville extends to them a hearty vote of thanks for their kindness and hospitality."

Rev. E. Mac Davis read a communication from Mr. G. C. Shepherd of Fairfax College Winchester Va. which was turned over to him as chairman of Education, to answer with the thanks of the Presbytery.

MINUTES APPROVED.

The minutes were then read and approved, and also approved as a whole.

ADJOURNMENT.

After devotional exercises Presbytery adjourned to meet, in adjourned session in the first church Asheville on April 28th 1903 at 3 P.M.

S. W. Newell.

Temporary Clerk

Frank Dickson. State Clerk.

The Presbytery of Asheville met in adjourned session in Asheville N.C. at 3 P.M. April 28th 1903 and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by Rev. Frank D. Hunt after which it was called to order by D.M. Killian, Moderator.

The following were present, Ministers: R.F. Campbell, D.D., R.P. Smith, C.C. Brown D.M. Douglas and Frank D. Hunt.

Elders: D.M. Killian of the Waynesville Church
W.S. Ferrell " " Bethel church
and B.R. Fakes " " Asheville 1st church.

CALL OF WAYNESVILLE CHURCH FOR WHOLE TIME OF REV. F.D. HUNT

The matter of the call of the Waynesville church for the whole time of Rev. Frank D. Hunt, which had been deferred to this meeting for consideration, was then taken up. Bethel church through her representative appeared in answer to the citation, and opposed the dissolution of the pastoral relation with Rev. F.D. Hunt. After hearing fully the representatives of both churches, it was decided to grant the request of the Waynesville church and permit them to change the terms of their call for Rev. F.D. Hunt for whole time at salary of $750.00 per

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annum, payable monthly and a manse.

PASTORAL RELATIONS OF BETHEL CHURCH & F.D. HUNT DISSOLVED.

Whereupon the pastoral relations existing between Rev. F.D. Hunt and Bethel church were dissolved to take effect June 1st 1903 Rev. F.D. Hunt was appointed Moderator of the Bethel Session until the fall meeting of Presbytery.

REPORT OF COM. TO INSTALL REV. R.B. GRINNAN AT HENDERSONVILLE.

The Committee appointed at the last meeting to install Rev. R.B. Grinnan, D.D. as pastor of the Hendersonville church reported the duty discharged and pastor performed as assigned. This report was received and approved and the committee discharged.

The minutes were read and approved. Presbytery then, after devotional exercises adjourned to meet in regular session with the Davidson River Church on Tuesday Oct 6th 1903 at 7:30 P.M.

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Frank D. Hunt
Stated Clerk.

The Presbytery of Asheville met in called session at Waynesville N.C. June 23rd 1903 at 2:30 P.M. according to the following call:

"Waynesville, N.C.
June 12th 1903

"The constitutional requirements having been complied with I hereby call a meeting of Asheville Presbytery to be held in the Waynesville church on Tuesday June 25th 1903 at 2:30 P.M. to transact the following business:

1. To examine Francis Wilkes and receive him under care of Presbytery as a candidate for the gospel ministry if the way be clear.

2. To consider and act upon a request of Rev. F. F. Jones for a letter of dismissal to East Hanover Presbytery"

D. M. Killian,
Moderator."

After devotional exercises conducted by Rev. S. W. Stewell, presbytery was called to order by the moderator, Elder D. M. Killian, and the following were found to be present; Ministers, R. P. Smith, S. W. Stewell, & Frank D. Hunt, Elders: W. S.

Tomel of Bethel church and D. M. Killian of Waynesville church.

The Stated Clerk Rev. Frank D. Hunt was appointed as temporary clerk.

On account of delay in the trains a recess was taken until 4. P.M.

At 4. PM. Presbytery reconvened and Rev. F. F. Jones appeared and was received.

Rev. F. F. Jones dismissed to East Hanover Presbytery.

At his request Rev. F. F. Jones was dismissed to East Hanover Presbytery and the Presbytery united in prayer for Bro. Jones, being led by Rev. F. D. Hunt.

Mr. Francis Wilkes having failed to arrive nothing could be done in his case and that matter was indefinitely postponed.

The minutes were read and approved.

After prayer by Rev. S. W. Newell the presbytery then adjourned.

Teste,
Frank D. Hunt
Stated Clerk.

Called Meeting, Asheville, N.C. Sept 2nd 1903.

The Presbytery of Asheville met in the study of the First Presbyterian Church, Asheville N.C. at 3 P.M. Wednesday Sept 2nd 1903. in response to the call of the Moderator, which is as follows". The constitutional requirements having been complied with I hereby call a meeting of Asheville Presbytery to be held in the study of the 1st Presbyterian Church, Asheville, N.C. on Wednesday Sept 2nd 1903 at 3. P.M. for the purpose of examining and receiving Francis Wilkes as a candidate for the gospel ministry if the way be clear.

Waynesville N.C. D.M. Killian.
Aug 22nd 1903. "Moderator"

The Presbytery was called to order by Rev. R. P. Smith, the last moderator present. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. E. A. Sample. Present: Revs. R. P. Smith, E. A. Sample, and R. F. Campbell, and Ruling Elder J. V. Brown of First Church Asheville.

The call of the moderator was read and found to be in order.

Mr. Francis Wilkes a member of the Dillsboro Presbyterian Church presented

himself as a candidate for the gospel ministry and asked to be taken under the care of Presbytery. Rev. R. P. Smith testified to the christian character and standing of Mr. Wilkes in the community in which he resides, and expressed his belief that Mr. Wilkes has the qualifications deemed necessary in a candidate for the ministry. On motion this statement was received in lieu of the certificate of session required in the manual inasmuch as the church is without a pastor and the ruling elders were temporarily absent from the community.

FRANCIS WILKES RECEIVED AS A CANDIDATE FOR THE MINISTRY AND RECOMMENDED FOR AID BY THE ASSEMBLY'S COM. OF EDUCATION.

The Presbytery then proceeded to examine Mr. Wilkes on Experimental religion and motives for seeking the ministry. These examinations were sustained as satisfactory, and Mr. Wilkes was formally received under the care of the Presbytery as a candidate for the gospel ministry.

On motion Mr. Wilkes was recommended to the Committee of Education for the Gospel Ministry, for such aid as he may need, within the limit of the maximum appropriation made to candidates during

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their college course.
The minutes were read and approved, and presbytery adjourned with prayer by Rev. R. F. Campbell.

Signed.
R. F. Campbell
Temporary Clerk

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Frank D. Hunt
Stated Clerk.

Approved without exception at meeting of Synod in Wilmington, Nov. 6, 1903.

John M. Rose.
Acting Moderator.

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FIRST DAY.

DAVIDSON RIVER CHURCH,
TRANSYLVANIA CO., N. C., *October* 6, 1903.

The Presbytery of Asheville convened in the Davidson River Church on Tuesday, October 6, 1903, at 7:30 P. M., and was opened with a sermon by Rev. E. Mac. Davis from the text 1st Corinthians i, 23, 24, after which the Presbytery was called to order by Elder D. M. Killian, Moderator, and instituted with prayer by Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D.

The roll was called, and the following were found to be present: *Ministers*, R. F. Campbell, D. D., E. A. Sample, E. Mac. Davis, Frank D. Hunt, R. P. Smith, R. S. Eskridge, D. M. Douglas, T. W. DeVane, and C. C. Brown. *Ruling Elders*, J. V. Brown, Asheville, First Church; D. M. Killian, Waynesville; R. H. Young, Swannanoa; E. W. Blythe, Brevard; J. E. Mackey, Davidson River; M. M. Brittain, Mills River; W. C. Connell, Hendersonville.

T. W. DeVane was elected Moderator, and Frank D. Hunt as Temporary Clerk.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises made a report which was adopted, and is as follows:

"The hours of the sessions of Presbytery to be from 9:30 A. M. to 12 M., and from 2 P. M., *ad libitum*, with no evening session. The doctrinal sermon by Rev. C. C. Brown to be preached Wednesday at 11 A. M., to be followed by the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, to be administered by Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D., and Rev. E. A. Sample, assisted by Ruling Elders D. M. Killian W. C. Connell, M. M. Brittain,

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and R. H. Young. The time for the report of the Home Missions Committee and the popular meeting in behalf of that cause to be the first order of the day on Wednesday afternoon. D. M. DOUGLAS, *Chairman.*"

Presbytery then adjourned with prayer until 9:30 to-morrow morning.

SECOND DAY.

October 7, 1903.

Presbytery convened at 9:30 A. M. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. E. A. Sample.

The minutes of last night's session were read and approved.

The Moderator announced the following Standing Committees:

1. *Bills and Overtures.*—R. F. Campbell and R. S. Eskridge.
2. *Auditing.*—C. C. Brown and D. M. Killian.
3. *Doctrinal Sermon.*—R. P. Smith and W. C. Connell.
4. *Leave of Absence.*—E. A. Sample and J. V. Brown.
5. *Nominating.*—D. M. Douglas, R. P. Smith and R. H. Young.
6. *Minutes of the General Assembly.*—F. D. Hunt, E. Mac. Davis and E. W. Blythe.

The minutes of the last regular and intervening meetings were read and approved.

A letter from Rev. R. B. Grinnan was read, and he was excused from attendance at this meeting, and the Stated Clerk was instructed to write him in behalf of the Presbytery, expressing our sympathy in his recent illness, and extending our congratulations and thankfulness for his recovery.

Rev. S. W. Newell was excused for non-attendance at this meeting.

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It was made the second order of the day this afternoon to take up the topic, "Free Conversation on the State of Religion."

Rev. T. W. DeVane, Agent for the Bible Cause, presented his report, which, after amendment, was adopted, and is as follows:

"The American Bible Society fell short last year $74.000. This shows that the various denominations are not doing their duty in contributing to this vital cause. We should give to this cause liberally, because, 1st. It is our work, and therefore, our duty to keep it up. 2nd. Because of the needed work it does. 'Whose business is it then to see that the Bible goes into prisons, and hospitals, and almshouses; to provide the men of the army, navy, and merchant marine; to offer to the hundreds of thousands of immigrants, as they cross our threshold, the constitution of the kingdom of God; to put it into the hands of the blind and of destitute Sunday-school children; to take it to the homes of our colored brethren in the South, or to our isolated fellow citizens on the mountains, buried in the mines, or out of sight on the distant prairies? All these classes, easily overlooked, are, and must continue the special object of the Bible Society's care. But the most urgent need now is for those lands where Bibles are as rare as they are abundant with us.' What is Asheville Presbytery doing for this great Society? Since October 1, 1902, up to date, only eight churches in our Presbytery, out of the twenty-three, have given anything to this cause. They and their amounts are: Andrews, $2.19; Asheville 1st, $13.00; Bethel, $3.16; Brevard, $2.00; Covenanters, 50 cents; Davidson River, $1.00; Jennie Spear Memorial, $3.15; Robbinsville, $3.18. Total, $28.18. Recommendations,

"1st. That each church in the Presbytery be informed as to the work and needs of the American Bible Society, and be given an opportunity to give to it once per year.

"2nd. That a depository of the American Bible Society

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be established at the county seat of each county in the Presbytery, and that the Moderator appoint the pastor and one elder of each church at each of these points a committee to establish such depository, if the way be clear.

"T. W. DEVANE, *Agent.*"

Elder J. J. Osborne of Preston Church was enrolled.

Recess was taken for five minutes, after which the doctrinal sermon was preached by Rev. C. C. Brown, subject, "Sanctification," text Col. ii. 10. The Presbyterial communion was then administered according to appointment.

Recess was then taken until 2 P. M.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Presbytery resumed business at 2 P. M.

Rev. Frank D. Hunt, Agent for General Assembly's Home Missions, made his report, which was received and approved, and is as follows:

"WAYNESVILLE, N. C., *October* 2, 1903.

"*To the Presbytery of Asheville:*

"Your agent for the cause of General Assembly's Home Missions would impress upon the Presbytery the fact that the last Assembly adopted the following, to-wit: 'The Assembly's Home Mission work embraces the whole church for the purpose of aiding the weaker Presbyteries and frontier districts in the various Synods, but more especially in the new territory and unorganized sections of the West.'

"In all that frontier country wide open doors invite our church to enter. The material to work on is there in great abundance, and the only thing that prevents us from occupying the land is a lack of means.

"The Assembly further recommends 'that the Presbyteries make persistent efforts to get every church in their bounds to contribute to this cause, and that this year the church should raise not less than $55,000 for this work.'

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"What have we done as a Presbytery? My last report to you showed a gratifying increase of $34 over the preceding year, the total being $97. I am grieved to have to call your attention to the fact that last year there was a falling off of $25, the total being only $72. We have not given one-fourth of what the Assembly's committee asks of us as a fair proportion of the whole amount to be raised. There is one gratifying fact, viz., that last year sixteen churches contributed to this cause as compared with eleven the year before. I earnestly ask that the pastors and sessions will faithfully give the people an opportunity in the months of September and January to make offerings for this cause. This is in accordance with the plan of both the Assembly and the Synod of North Carolina. I urge you all not to be satisfied with the small amount asked in the apportionments of Presbytery, for if some churches do as some have done, there will be a failure to raise the small sum of $93 suggested in the scheme of apportionments. I realize that ours is a weak Presbytery, and the demands upon us for Home Missions in our own bounds are greater than we can meet, and the time may come when we shall have to ask assistance from the Assembly's committee to help do our own work. How can we do so if we fail to make a proper effort to show our sympathy with the Assembly's work? The last Assembly said, 'The Executive Committee shall aid, within its ability, the work in any Presbytery where it is shown to the satisfaction of the committee that said Presbytery is unable to compass the work; and in all cases the Presbytery shall secure offerings for this cause from their churches during the months designated for this purpose.' What are we going to do? The responsibility rests upon each pastor and session.

"Permit me, in closing, to reiterate what I said in my last report: 'If there is any Presbytery in the bounds of the Assembly which ought to appreciate the importance of and heartily sympathize with this work, it is the Presbytery of Asheville, for we are struggling now to do the work in our bounds which, if it had been faithfully done in the early

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days of the settlement of our beautiful country by men, the majority of whom were of Presbyterian stock, would have held them and their descendants for our beloved church and made us, instead of a weak mission Presbytery, one of the strong Presbyteries of the church.' While we are earnestly and faithfully working to meet the demands and supply the needs in our own bounds, let us not fail in sympathy and support, by our prayers and means to the extent of our ability, to do our part in planting our beloved church in those sections of our land so rapidly filling up with those who go out from Presbyterian homes in the older States, and in making the Presbyterian hosts occupy the van amongst our brethren in the army of the Lord, fighting for Christ and his church. If we do fail now, we will see, in time to come, the same sad results thereas to our church which we witness on every hand around us, because of the failure of those who preceded us in the days gone by. I urge every pastor to prepare, by study of facts and conditions, and by prayer, to so present this cause to his people at the proper time as to arouse them to a right sense of its importance, and to elicit their hearty and generous support.

"Respectfully submitted,

"FRANK D. HUNT,

"*Agent Assembly's Home Missions.*"

Elder O. P. Orr, of Midway Church, was enrolled.

The order of the day was taken up, and a popular meeting in behalf of the cause of Home Missions was held, presided over by Rev. R. F. Campbell, chairman of the Committee of Home Missions. He presented no written report, as this is done at the Spring meeting, but made an encouraging statement as to the progress of our Home Mission work. He presented a recommendation from his committee asking that certain persons be added to the committee, and this was referred to the Committee on Nominations, with instructions to incorporate it in their report. Interesting addresses were then made by Revs. R. S. Eskridge, E. Mac. Davis, and R. P.

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Smith; after which a collection, amounting to $7.28, was taken for Etowah Church.

The topic, "Free Conversation on the State of Religion," was taken up, the members of Presbytery responding as the roll was called. This conversation was very helpful and encouraging, showing growth in many ways in our work, especially along financial lines, in the progress of the churches towards self-support.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises made a further report, which was adopted, and is as follows:

"That Rev. R. S. Eskridge preach Thursday at 11 A. M.; that the popular meeting in behalf of Foreign Missions be held immediately after recess to-morrow afternoon, short addresses to be made by Dr. Campbell and Revs. E. Mac. Davis and E. A. Sample.

Rev. Frank D. Hunt, one of the commissioners to the General Assembly, made his report, which was received and approved.

Presbytery then adjourned with prayer until to-morrow at 9:30 A. M.

THIRD DAY.

October 8, 1903.

Presbytery convened at at 9:30 A. M., and after devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. R. S. Eskridge, proceeded to business.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

A letter from J. D. Murphy, trustee of Presbytery, was received and referred to the Committee on Nominations.

A communication from Messrs. Whittet & Shepperson, of Richmond, Va., offering to print the minutes of Presbytery "for eighty-three cents per page for the first sixteen pages, and seventy-seven cents per page for each additional page,

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complete with cover, addressed and mailed, charging, in addition, only the amount necessary to forward by mail or express," was read by the Stated Clerk, and it was ordered that he have the minutes printed directly after each regular meeting, and that he be allowed to file an attested printed copy in lieu of writing the minutes in a record book.

Rev. E. A. Sample, agent for Colored Evangelistic Work, made his report, which was received and adopted, and is as follows:

"*To the Presbytery of Asheville, in Session at Davidson River, October* 6, 1903:

"Your agent, in making his annual report on Colored Evangelization, finds nothing of special importance to report at this time. However, there are one or two things I will notice. First, I am glad to see in a late paper an article from Rev. J. S. Morrow, who has lately taken charge of the school and church at North Wilkesboro, N. C., and as he is a man that has labored in our bounds and is worthy of our confidence and support, it would be well for any of our churches who could to contribute to this cause. Second, I find, from the Minutes of the General Assembly, that last year, out of the twenty-three churches in our Presbytery, only thirteen contributed to this cause, leaving ten giving nothing. At this rate, we will make but little progress in educating and christianizing the colored race. Third, I note with regret the failing health and resignation of Rev. D. Clay Lilly, our efficient and self-sacrificing superintendent of this cause.

"While I offer no recommendations, I would urge upon our pastors and sessions to enlighten our people on this subject and give them an opportunity to contribute to this cause.

"Respectfully submitted,

"E. A. SAMPLE, *Agent.*"

Rev. E. Mac. Davis, chairman of Education, made a verbal report that our candidates are pursuing their studies. This was received and approved.

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The following amendment to the Manual was adopted: "Amend Sec. 5, Par. 63, by striking out all after the words 'annual reports,' and after the words 'who shall' insert 'serve for a term of two years.'

Revs. Frank D. Hunt and R. P. Smith and Elder J. D. Murphy were appointed a committee to revise the Manual and report at the next Spring meeting.

Brevard was selected as the place and Tuesday, the 19th day of April, 1904, at 8 P. M., as the time for the next regular meeting.

The Committees on Bills and Overtures and Auditing reported that no business had come into their hands, and they were discharged.

Elder E. W. Blythe, for the Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly, made a report, calling attention to certain deliverances of the Assembly, and urging a hearty compliance on the part of Presbytery and our people with these deliverances, which report was received and approved.

The Permanent Committees on Publication, and Sabbath-Schools, and Young Peoples' Societies were consolidated in accordance with the plan of the Assembly's committee, and the following were appointed as the new committee, viz.: R. P. Smith, R. B. Grinnan, R. S. Eskridge, Claybrook James, and Hugh Brown.

The hour for public worship having arrived, a sermon was preached by Rev. R. S. Eskridge from the text Genesis xii. 1., after which recess was taken until 2 P. M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Presbytery resumed business at 2 P. M.

The Committee on Nominations made the following report, which was received and adopted:

"*Trustees of Presbytery.*—J. D. Murphy, T. S. Morrison, and Claybrook James.

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"*Added to the Home Missions Committee.*—Rev. R. B. Grinnan, G. W. Maslin, and Claybrook James.

"*Trustee of Davidson College for Two Years.*—Rev. R. P. Smith."

Rev. D. M. Douglas, trustee of Davidson College, made a verbal report, which was very encouraging as to the work and progress of the College. This report was received as information, and the diligence of the Trustee was commended.

Rev. R. B. Grinnan, D. D., was appointed to preach the doctrinal sermon at the next Spring meeting, with Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D., as alternate. Subject: "The Lord's Supper—the elements to be used and the spiritual significance of the feast."

Rev. E. Mac. Davis resigned as chairman of Education, and Rev. R. B. Grinnan, D. D., was elected to succeed him.

The order of the day was taken up, and the popular meeting in behalf of the cause of Foreign Missions was presided over by Rev. D. M. Douglas, chairman of this cause, who conducted the exercises and made an earnest plea in its behalf; after which interesting and helpful addresses were made by Revs. E. Mac. Davis, E. A. Sample, and R. F. Campbell, D. D.

Rev. Frank D. Hunt then read a personal letter just received from Miss E. V. Lee, our missionary to Mexico, giving a touching and tender presentation of the trying conditions prevailing there because of the yellow fever in Mexico. Presbytery united in special prayer led by Dr. Campbell in behalf of Miss Lee and other missionaries in Mexico.

The usual reports to Synod were made out and directed to be forwarded.

Rev. D. M. Douglas and E. W. Blythe were appointed a Committee on Devotional Exercises for the next meeting.

Rev. R. S. Eskridge, principal, and Rev. R. P. Smith, alternate, were appointed to remain over Sabbath and preach at the next Spring meeting at Brevard.

The following resolution was adopted:

"The Presbytery of Asheville hereby expresses its hearty thanks to the Davidson River congregation and community, and also the Transylvania railroad, for the kind and generous hospitality and courtesy extended us during this meeting."

The following report was received and approved:

"The Committee on Leave of Absence would report that it has excused the following: Elders J. J. Osborne and M. M. Brittain after the afternoon session Wednesday; Rev. R. S. Eskridge and Elder R. H. Young after Thursday morning session.

"Respectfully submitted,

"E. A. SAMPLE,
"R. H. YOUNG, *Committee.*"

The Stated Clerk and Moderator were appointed a committee to write all the churches not represented at this meeting and call their attention to the importance of a representative of each church in the Presbytery at all regular meetings, and urging them to send men who will remain until the close of Presbytery unless providentially called away.

The minutes were read and approved as a whole.

Presbytery then, after devotional exercises, adjourned to meet with the Brevard Church on Tuesday, the 19th day of April, 1904, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Attest: FRANK D. HUNT,
Temporary and Stated Clerk.

Attest. Frank D. Hunt. S.C.

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We have examined these Minutes and recommend their approval.

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MINUTES.

CALL MEETING.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., *February* 23, 1904.

The Presbytery of Asheville met in Pastor's Study of the First Presbyterian Church, Asheville, N. C., February 23rd, 1904, at 3.00 p.m., and was called to order by Elder D. M. Killian, last moderator present; and opened with prayer by Rev. R. B. Grinnan, D.D.

Present: Rev. Messrs R. F. Campbell, E. A. Sample, F. D. Hunt, A. P. Smith and R. B. Grinnan.

Ruling Elders: D. M. Killian of Waynesville church, and L. V. Brown of Asheville.

Rev. E. A. Sample was appointed temporary clerk.

The following call was then read,:

"All requirements having been complied with I hereby call a meeting of Asheville Presbytery to meet in Pastor's Study of First Presbyterian Church, Asheville, on February 23, at 3.00 p.m., to attend to the following business,

"*1.* To consider and act upon the requ-st of Rev. F. D. Hunt for a dissolution of the pastorial relation between him and the Waynesville church, and if the way be clear, dismiss him to the Presbytery of Enoree.

"*2.* If so dismissed, to elect a stated clerk in his place.

"*3.* To consider and act upon the request of Rev. E. Mac Davis to be dismissed to the Presbytery of Atlanta.

T. W. DEVANE, *Moderator.*"

On motion, the church concurring, the desolution between Rev. F. D. Hunt and the Waynesville church was dissolved and he was dismissed to the Presbytery of Enoree.

Rev. E. A. Sample was elected stated clerk in place of Rev. F. D. Hunt.

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The request of Rev. E. Mac Davis was granted and he was dismissed to the Presbytery of Atlanta.

The stated clerk was requested to write Bro. Davis expressing our high appreciation of him as a minister and co-laborer.

Rev. E A. Sample was added to the committee to revise the Manual and Rev. R. P. Smith was made chairman of said committee.

After reading and approval of minutes Presbytery adjourned with prayer.

E. A. SAMPLE, *Temporary and Stated Clerk.*

CALL MEETING.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., *March* 14, 1904.

The Presbytery of Asheville met in Pastor's Study of the First Presbyterian Church, Asheville, March 14, at 3.00 p.m., and was called to order and opened with prayer by Rev. D. M. Douglas, last moderator present.

Present: Rev. Messrs D. M. Douglas, R. P. Smith and R. B. Grinnan, D.D., Ruling Elder L. V. Brown of First Church, Asheville.

Rev. R. B. Grinnan was appointed temporary clerk.

The following call was read :

"All the requirements having been met, I hereby call Asheville Presbytery to meet in Pastor's Study of the First Presbyterian church, Asheville, March 14, 1904, at 3.00 p.m. to transact the following business.

"*1.* To consider and act upon the request of Rev. D M. Douglas to be released from the pastoral charge of the Brevard and Davidson River churches and if the way be clear, dismissed to the Presbytery of Maryland.

T. W. DEVANE, *Moderator.*"

On motion the churches of Brevard and Davidson River concurring, the pastorial relation between Rev. D. M.

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Douglas and the Brevard and Davidson River Churches were dissolved and he was dismissed to the Presbytery of Maryland.

R. B. GRINNAN, *Temporary Clerk.*

Attest: E. A. SAMPLE, *S. C.*

REGULAR MEETING.

BREVARD, N. C., *April* 19, 1904.

The Presbytery of Asheville convened in the Brevard church on Tuesday, April 19, 1904, at 8 p.m., and was opened with a sermon by Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D., from the text, Ex. 15:4, followed by an address by Rev. R, W. Boyd in the interest of Barium Springs Orphanage. After which the Presbytery was called to order by Ruling Elder D. M. Killian, last moderator present, and constituted with prayer by Rev. R. P. Smith.

The roll was called and the following were found present:

Ministers: R. F. Campbell. D.D., E. A. Sample, R. P. Smith, R. S. Eskridge, C. Conner Brown, R. B Grinnan, D. D.

Ruling Elders: B. R. Faks, Asheville, First Church, D. M. Killian, Waynesville, W. S. Terrell, Bethel, M. J. Orr, Brevard, W. E. Deaver, Davidson River, and W. C. Connell, Hendersonville.

Rev. C. Conner Brown was elected Moderator and Rev. R. S. Eskridge, Temporary Clerk.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises made the following report which was received and adopted:

"That the sessions of Presbytery be from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., from 3 p.m. *ad libitum* and from 8 p.m. to continue at will of Presbytery. The Doctrinal Sermon, by Rev. Dr. R. B. Grinnan, to be preached tomorrow at 11 a.m., followed by the Presbyterial Communion administered by Rev. Messrs. R. F. Campbell and R. P. Smith, assisted by Ruling Elders W. C. Connell, D. M. Killian, W. S. Terrell and W. E. Deaver. The time for the Home Missions Report and popular meet-

ing in behalf of that cause Wednesday 8 p.m.

M. J. ORR, *Chairman.*

Presbytery was adjourned with prayer by the Moderator until 9 a.m. tomorrow.

SECOND DAY.

April 20th, 1904.

Presbytery convened at 9 a.m., and Devotional Exercises were conducted by Rev. R. S. Eskridge.

Minutes of last session read and approved.

Moderator announced the following standing committees:

1. BILLS AND OVERTURES—R. F. Campbell, B. R. Faks.
2. AUDITING—R. B. Grinnan, W. S. Terrell,
3. DOCTRINAL SERMON—E. A. Sample, W. E. Deaver.
4. LEAVE OF ABSENCE—R. S. Eskridge, M. J. Orr.
5. NARRATIVE—R. F. Campbell, D. M. Killian.
6. NOMINATING—R. P. Smith, W. C. Connell.
7. MINUTES OF SYNOD—R. P. Smith, W. S. Terrell,
8. SESSIONAL RECORDS—R. B. Grinnan, D. M. Killian and W. E. Deaver.
9. SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE—W. S. Terrell and W. C. Connell.

Minutes of called meetings read and approved.

Rev. J. C. Hardin of Columbia and Rev. R. W. Boyd of Concord Presbyteries were invited to sit as corresponding members and introduced to Presbytery.

Rev. T. W. DeVane was dismissed to the Presbytery of Mecklenburg.

Committee on revision of Manuel, Rev. R. P. Smith, chairman, reported nothing done, and the committee was continued until fall meeting.

After prayer by Rev. Dr. Grinnan for Divine Guidance, Presbytery elected the following as commissioners to the General Assembly: Rev. C. Conner Brown and Elder B. R.

Faks of Asheville First Church principals, and Rev. R. B. Grinnan, D.D., and Elder W. C. Connell of Hendersonville church alternates.

Presbytery adopted the following overture and ordered sent to the General Assembly:

"RESOLVED, That the Presbytery of Asheville overture the General Assembly which meets at Mobile, Ala., May 19, 1904, to change the manner of entertaining the Commissioners to the General Assembly so that the expenses of Commissioners may be borne by the General Assembly or the Presbyteries.

Rev. R. F. Campbell offered the following:

Whereas, The Presbyterian form of government is representative in its character, and whereas, it is of importance both to the efficient transaction of the business of the Presbytery and to the fellowship of the churches in the privileges and responsibilities of Christ's Service; that every church should take its due part in the work and deliberations of the court, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Presbytery of Asheville solemnly urge upon the sessions of all its churches the duty and privilege of sending Ruling Elders to represent them at the stated meetings of the Presbytery and that sessions be charged not to allow the churches to be unrepresented at any stated meeting unless the possibility of representation be clearly precluded by Providential circumstances.

This paper was adopted and the Stated Clerk was instructed to have the resolution printed on postal cards which shall be mailed to the pastor and clerk of sessions of each church at least one month previous to each stated meeting of Presbytery.

The Doctrinal Sermon was preached by Rev. Dr. Grinnan from the text, Matt. 26:16-28. Subject, "The Lord's Supper—the elements to be used and the Spiritual significance of the feast."

Recess until 3 p.m.

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WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Presbytery convened at 3 p.m., and resumed business.

The committee on Sessional Records made a report which was received and approved.

Rev. I. T. Newton, of the Baptist church, and Rev. C. P. Moore of the M. E. Church South were invited to sit as visiting brethren and introduced to the Presbytery.

The committee on Ministerial Relief reported, recommending that the Central Committee, for this cause, be asked for $25 to assist in the funeral expenses of Mrs. T. D. Towles. The report was received and the recommendation adopted.

Hendersonville was chosen as the place and October 11th at 8 p.m., as the time for the next regular meeting of Presbytery. Rev. R. B. Grinnan and Elder W. C. Connell were appointed on Devotional Exercises.

By request of Pastor and session of Preston church a commission was appointed consisting of Rev. Messrs. R. P. Smith, C. Conner Brown, E. A. Sample, R. B. Grinnan, D.D., and Elders W. C. Connell, O. P. Orr and M. M. Brittain to visit and consider the interest of said church and report at an adjourned meeting to be held in the First Church Asheville, June 7th, at 4 p.m.

Recess 'til 8 p.m.

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Presbytery met at 8 p.m., and resumed business.

Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D., Chairman, made a report on Home Missions which was received and recommendation adopted, and is as follows:

"Your committee beg leave to report that in view of the removal of an unusual number of our ministers during the last few months and the consequent vacancy of so many churches we shall not attempt to go into details of the work in the several mission fields, but shall confine our attention to a few salient points that characterize the word as a whole.

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1. We note as worthy of commendation the increased liberality of the churches in their contributions to Home Missions and indeed to all the benevolent causes, in many cases exceeding the apportionments made by Presbytery.

2. We would call attention to the creation of a promising new mission field at Canton and Leicester which has been grouped with Bethel church. This field has called Rev. J. C. Hardin of Tennessee, who has signified his purpose to accept subject to the will of the Presbytery.

3. We note with special gratification that during the past year that the Brevard and Davidson River field has reached the point of self-support; that Waynesville has provided for the employment of a pastor for his whole time at an increased salary; that Swannanoa church has assumed $250 of the appropriation heretofore made by the Presbytery for the support of its pastor and that several other mission churches have taken steps in the same direction.

Your committee would recommend:

1. That Presbytery instruct pastors and sessions to see to it that the cause of Presbyterial Home Missions be presented from every pulpit and that collection for this cause be taken in every church,

2. That the churches receiving aid be urged to advance as rapidly as possible towards self support that the Home Mission funds may be available for the occupation of the new fields into which we have been invited.

3. That the Home Missions Committee be empowered to readjust the appropriations of aid to the mission fields from time to time as may seem wisest to them under all the circumstances.

4. That Rev. R. P. Smith be re-elected General Evangelist of the Presbytery for another year.

Presbytery adjourned with prayer until to-morrow 9 a.m.

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THIRD DAY.

April 21, 1904.

Presbytery met and devotional exercises conducted by Elder W. C. Connell. yesterday

The Minutes of last session read and approved.

Rev. R. F. Campbell, D.D., was appointed to preach the Doctrinal Sermon at the Fall meeting on the "Scriptural Warrent for Infant Baptism."

Rev. R. P. Smith reported that thro' the kindness of interested friends under peculiar providential circumstances a small orphanage had been established at Crab Tree. He further asked Presbytery to assume control of the institution. After much debate the Presbytery agreed to adopt the orphanage and put it under the control of the Home Mission Committe.

Recess until 3 p.m.

Presbytery reassembled at 3 p.m. and resumed business.

Committee on Education for the ministry made the following report which was received and approved.

"So far as has been reported to the committee we have two students who are under the care of this Presbotery. One, Mr. W. P. Chedester, is a student at Union Theological Seminary. A most excellent report is made in regard to his standing. The other, Mr. T. W. Wilkes is a student at Davidson College and is reported by our Evangelist as doing well. He received $90 from the committee on Ministerial Education.

"Fifteen of the churches gave $72.59 to Ministerial Education.

R. B. GRINNAN, *Chairman.*"

The committee on Narrative made report which was received, adopted and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

The committee on Bills and Overtures reported that

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nothing had come into their hands. Report received and approved.

The following paper was received from Rev. Dr. S. L. Morris, Secretary, of Assembly's Home Missions.

1. Would your Presbytery favor asking the General Assembly to make a call for a larger amount for Home Mission work?

2. Would you be willing to undertake a larger amount as a Presbytery in that case?

3. Do you feel the need of our assistance in reaching the destitution within your bounds, beyond your present ability.?

4. Will your Presbytery in special conference take into consideration the great needs of Home Missions in the bounds of our beloved church?

All the above questions were answered in the affirmative and Rev. R. P. Smith was instructed to so inform Dr. Morris.

The committee on Publication Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies made the following report:

1. The Assembly's committee of Publication requested our Presbytery to contribute $58 to this cause. We have given $58.64, yet ten of our churches gave nothing. During the year we have asked our committee at Richmond to make small donations of literature for five of our mission sabbath schools. The requests were promptly granted.

2. Eighteen Sabbath Schools have sent in reports; from these we get the following information:- Total officers and teachers 139; scholars 1419; Scholars admitted to the communion 25; current expenses $612; Foreign Missions $86; Home Missions $60; Sunday School missions of General Assembly $25; Other causes $190; Total $673. We note with pleasure that all the schools are under the control of the sessions that most of the members of the sessions attend the Sabbath school exercises; and that the children of the church for the most part attend the preaching services. It

is gratifying to learn that the Scriptures and the Catechisms are memorized in our schools.

3. The reports show that there are eleven Young Peoples' Societies within our bounds, with a total membership of 218. Nearly all of them are missionary in object and are under the control of their respective church sessions. During the year they contributed for all causes $261.

While our Sabbath Schools and Young Peoples' Societies are under the control of our Sessions, it is a regretable fact that our Ruling Elders do not give these institutions as much support and encouragement as they deserve.

1. We recommend that a Sabbath School Institute be held in connection with the fall meeting of the Presbytery; and that a committee be appointed to prepare a programme for the same.

The report was received, recommendation adopted and the matter pertaining to the Sabbath School Institute put into the hands of the permanent committee on Sabbath Schools.

Rev. Dr. R. F. Campbell made the following report which was received and approved:

"The Presbytery having assigned to the Home Missions Committee the duty of auditing the accounts of the Presbyterial Treasurer, this committee beg leave to report that the accounts of the Treasurer have been carefully audited every month and that these accounts have been found to be accurate."

The Auditing Committee appointed by Presbytery reported as follows:

"In view of the fact that the Auditing Committee of the Home Mission Committee has examined the Treasurers' books and found them correct, we would recommend that their report be accepted as satisfactory."

R. B. GRINNAN, *Chairman.*

Report received and approved.

Report on Systematic Benevolence was made, adopted, and ordered forwarded to the General Assembly.

Committee on minutes of Synod made report which was received and approved.

The committee on nominations made a partial report, recommending that Rev. R. S. Eskridge be elected as Trustee of Davidson College to fill out the unexpired term of Rev. D. M. Douglas, defering the remainder thereof until the adjourned meeting to be held in Asheville 7th of June. Report received and the recommendation adopted.

Committee on Leave of Absence reported that nothing had come before them requiring action. Report received and approved.

Recess until 8 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

The Presbytery met at 8 p.m., the hour for the report of Foreign Mission and popular meeting in the interest of same.

In the absence of the chairman, Rev. R. P. Smith was appointed to preside. After a verbal report, which showed an increase in contributions for this cause over last year, Rev. R. B. Grinnan gave a very instructive and edifying address on the Religious Conditions of Japan. After which Presbytery engaged in a memorial service in memory of Rev. S. W. Newell. Rev. R. P. Smith by request, read the following which was ordered spread upon the minutes:

REV. SAMUEL WASHINGTON NEWELL.

S. W. Newell was born August 25, 1845, in Cabarrus county, N. C. Soon after his birth his parents removed to Mississippi where his boyhood was spent farming and attendin the public schools of the neighborhood. In 1862 he entered the Confederate army and served through the Civil war. Emerging from that fearful struggle he found himself pen-

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niless. Notwithstanding the discouraging conditions, he resolved to equip himself for a useful life. He studied in the country schools and under Rev. F. Patton, D. D., till 1870. when he entered the University of Mississippi, completed the full course and was graduated in June, 1874. In the fall of that year he entered the Theological Seminary at Columbia. S. C. To meet expenses he taght some classes in one of the city schools and served churches during his vacations. After completing the theological course, he was licensed by Chickasaw Presbytery. Having accepted a call from the Euharlee Church in Georgia, he became pastor there in September, 1877, and served that congregation most acceptably for six years. In 1883 he accepted a call from the Denmark Church in Tennessee. There his health became somewhat impaired, so his physical strength was not equal to the requirements of the field, but he remained at that post, giving faithful service till 1891, when he accepted calls from Amity and Newell churches, near Charlotte, N. C. For nine years as a gentle shepherd he led those flocks. Then came an urgent call from Asheville Presbytery to work in the mountains of Western North Carolina. In 1900 he removed to Palm, in Haywood county and took up the arduous labors of a Home Missionary. He served as principal of a parochial school, preached at five mission points, visited from house to house instructing and comforting the people. He endured many hardships, but was never heard to complain.

Mr. Newell's earthly labors were closed February 6, 1904, after a brief illness. The end was perfect peace, being fully resigned to God's will. His last words were: "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil." The funeral services were held in the Snyder Memorial building. The people came from the coves and from the sides of the mountains for miles and miles around to show their love and esteem for the memory of the deceased. The body was carried by loving hands and gently placed in the grave near that of his beloved daughter, who was buried

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there something over a year ago. At this season of the year the mountain friends did not have any flowers for the casket, but they watered the grave with their tears. After the grave was closed and the family had gone, numbers of people stood there and wept, loth to leave the friend who had done so much for them. All classes and conditions of people loved him. His gentle, godly life drew even the hardest of hearts to him, and thus won many for Christ. Truly it may be said of him: "He was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith." Our brother was a faithful preacher of The Word, giving each his portion in due season. It does not fall to the lot of many to possess the rare gifts which he had for pastoral work, and well did he use them for the glory of God.

Mr. Newell was married to Miss M. S. Kimmons, of Hopewell, Miss., Sept. 4, 1877. This proved to be a most happy union. Mrs. Newell entered with full sympathy into her husband's work, giving it, in her sphere, her best strength and talents. They succeeded in making theirs a model Christian home. Three children are still living, two sons and a daughter. To these and the devoted wife in their sorrow we extend our sympathy.

The Stated Clerk was directed to write to Mrs. Newell expressing our deepest sympathy for the family in this hour of sore trial.

The following paper was adopted:

"*Resolved,* That the thanks of the Presbytery be extended to the people of Brevard for their delightful and bountiful hospitality extended to us during the meeting of this body."

After the reading and approval of minuets, Presbytery adjourned with the usual form to meet in First Church, Asheville, June 6, at 4 p.m. Regular Fall Meeting to be held at Hendersonville, N. C., Oct. 11, 1904, at 8 p.m.

R. S. ESKRIDGE. *Tem. Clerk.*

Attest: E. A. SAMPLE, *Stated Clerk.*

Attest: E. A. Sample
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We have Examined these Minutes and recommend their approval.

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Durham, N.C.
Nov. 16, 1904

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MINUTES

OF THE

Presbytery of Asheville,

SEVENTEENTH SESSION,

HENDERSONVILLE, N. C.,

OCTOBER 11–14, 1904.

WITH MINUTES OF ADJOURNED MEETINGS,

HELD IN ASHEVILLE, N. C.,

JUNE 7, AND DEC. 6–7, 1904.

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MINUTES.

ADJOURNED MEETING.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., *June* 4, 1904.

The Presbytery of Asheville met in the pastor's study of the First Church, Asheville, at 4 P. M., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Rev. C. C. Brown, and was opened with prayer by Rev. C. A. Campbell.

PRESENT.—*Ministers:* R. F. Campbell, E. A. Sample, C. C. Brown, R. P. Smith and R. B. Grinnan.

Elders: R. B. Fakes, Asheville; D. M. Killian, Waynesville; W. S. Terrell, Bethel.

Rev. E. A. Sample was appointed Temporary Clerk.

Rev. C. A. Campbell, of the General Congregational Association of Florida, was invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Rev. J. C. Hardin, of Columbia Presbytery, and V. H. Starbuck, of Wilmington Presbytery, were invited to sit as corresponding members.

Rev. J. C. Hardin and Rev. V. H. Starbuck were, after due examination, received by letter into the Presbytery.

A call for Rev. J. C. Hardin from the Bethel Church, for one-fourth of his time, on a salary of $150 per year, payable monthly, was placed in his hands, and, on his acceptance, the following order was taken for his installation, on the second Sabbath of July, at 11 A. M.: Rev. R. P. Smith to preside and propound the constitutional questions; Rev. R. S. Eskridge to preach the sermon and charge the pastor; and Elder J. D. Murphy to charge the people.

Rev. C. A. Campbell was granted permission to labor in our bounds until the Fall Meeting of Presbytery.

The following paper was read, received and approved:

"*May* 11, 1904.

"The commission appointed to visit the Preston Church and consider its interest, beg leave to report the commission met at the time and place, and, after a sermon by Rev. R. B. Grinnan, was called to order and opened with prayer by the chairman, Rev. R. P. Smith.

"*Present:* Revs. R. P. Smith, C. C. Brown, E. A. Sample and R. B. Grinnan; Elders O. P. Orr, Midway; W. C. Connell, Hendersonville.

"Rev. E. A. Sample was appointed Temporary Clerk.

"After a free and full discussion as to the needs and prospects of the Preston Church, the following minute was adopted:

"In view of all the facts obtained from those present, we recommend that the organization be continued, and the present relation between pastor and people be undisturbed.

"Commission was adjourned with prayer."

The Home Mission Committee was authorized to make a new apportionment on the churches, and to circulate the same among them.

The Committee on Nomination, Rev. R. P. Smith, chairman, made the following report, which was received and adopted:

"Rev. R. B. Grinnan, chairman of Foreign Missions; Rev. J. C. Hardin, chairman of Bible Cause; Rev. C. Conner Brown, chairman Ministerial Relief and Education; Rev. V. H. Starbuck, chairman General Assembly's Home Missions."

Rev. J. C. Hardin was appointed to remain over at the next meeting.

After reading of minutes and prayer by the Moderator, Presbytery adjourned to meet in Hendersonville, N. C., October 11, 1904, at 8 P. M.

REV. E. A. SAMPLE,
Temporary and Stated Clerk.

FALL MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

HENDERSONVILLE, N. C., *October* 11, 1904.

The Presbytery of Asheville met in its seventeenth annual session Tuesday, October 11th, at 8 P. M., in the Presbyterian Church of Hendersonville, N. C., and was opened with a sermon by Rev. C. Conner Brown; text, Eph. v. 16: "Redeeming the time because the days are evil."

After the sermon Presbytery was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The roll was called and the following noted as present:

Ministers.—R. F. Campbell, D. D. (2), E. A. Sample, R. P. Smith, R. S. Eskridge, C. Conner Brown, R. B. Grinnan, J. C. Hardin, V. H. Starbuck.

Elders.—J. F. Johnston Asheville First; M. M. Brittain, Mills River; J. R. Hill, Hendersonville: W. S. Terrell, Bethel; J. C. Swift, Waynesville; W. E. Deaver, Davidson River; O. P. Orr, Midway (2).

Churches Not Represented.—Swannanoa, Oak Forest, Preston, Bryson City, Dillsboro, Murphy, Covenanters, Jennie Spier Memorial, Franklin, Morrison, Centre, Hayesville, Andrews, Robbinsville, Highlands.

Rev. R. P. Smith was elected Moderator and Rev. V. H. Starbuck, Temporary Clerk.

The rule in the Manual requiring that the Lord's Supper be observed on the second day was suspended.

Rev. T. H. Law, D. D., was invited to sit as a corresponding member, and introduced to the Presbytery.

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Committee of Arrangements made the following report:

"Presbytery to convene at 9 A. M.; preaching at 11 A. M.; from 2:30 P. M. to 5 P. M.; from 7:30 P. M. to adjourn at will."

Committee on Sabbath-School Institute reported, viz.:

"After devotional exercises Wednesday morning, Presbytery will give way to the Institute for the morning, afternoon and night sessions, to carry out the programme as prepared.

"REV. R. P. SMITH, *Chairman.*"

Presbytery adjourned until to-morrow, at 9 A. M., with prayer by the Moderator.

SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY, *October* 12, 1904.

Presbytery met at 9 A. M., and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Presbytery then resolved itself into a Sabbath-school institute, with Rev. R. P. Smith in the chair.

The following officers and teachers were enrolled, in addition to the members of the Presbytery: Claybrook James, Mrs. Lena Key, Mrs. R. P. Smith, H. S. Shockley, J. B. Shope, Miss May McDowell, Mrs. Starbuck, of Asheville; Miss Maggie Anderson, Mrs. Carson, Mrs. Maloney, Miss May Smith, Mrs. Hutcheson, J. R. Hill, Hendersonville; W. S. Terrell, O. L. Allen. Miss Lizzie Allen, J. F. Justice, Bethel; Mrs. Fuller, Mrs. McGee, Canton Mission: Mrs. C. Conner Brown, Miss Cora Summey, Mr. Aleck Barnett, Mrs. J. H. Burgin, Miss Florence Barnett, Burr Osborne, Mills River: Mrs. Ad. Anderson, A. M. Goodman, Midway; E. Quinlan, Mrs. J. P. Swift, D. M. Killiam, Rev. Charles Campbell, Waynesville; C. B. Currie, Miss Georgia Bell, Miss Hattie Orr, Miss Noma Bryson, Mrs. G. C. Whitner, Mrs. J. C. Lyon, Brevard; Miss Hattie Deaver, Miss Maggie Deaver, Miss Virginia Patton, Davidson River.

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PROGRAMME OF THE SABBATH-SCHOOL INSTITUTE

TO BE HELD AT HENDERSONVILLE, N. C., OCT. 12, 1904.

To the Officers and Teachers of Sabbath-Schools in Asheville Presbytery, Greeting:

The committee appointed by the Presbytery take pleasure in submitting the following:

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1904.

Morning Session.

9:00 Devotional Exercises and Organization.

9:30 Equipments and Helps in Sabbath-school Work—
Claybrook James, V. H. Starbuck and Charles Campbell.

10:15 Teachers' Meetings—How or Organize and Conduct Them—
Marshal Bell, J. D. Murphy and R. F. Campbell.

11:00 Some Mistakes in Sabbath-school Work, and How to Correct them—
W. E. Deaver, W. S. Terrell and R. S. Eskridge.

Afternoon Session.

2:00 How to Teach a Class—
Lewis Bell, J. R. Hill and E. A. Sample.

3:00 Practical examples in teaching (the whole Institute as a class will recite the Sabbath-school Lesson for October 9, 1904)—
D. M. Killian and J. D. Hardin.

4:00 The Respective Duties of Pastors, Elders and Deacons to the Sabbath-school—
A. M. Fry, A. W. King and C. Connor Brown.

6:00 The Question Box.

Night Session.

7:30 The Sabbath-school as a Missionary Agency—
E. E. Quinlan, R. B. Grinnan and C. B. Currie.

8:30 How to Control Rude Pupils—
W. C. Connell, W. S. Black and Hugh T. Brown.

9:00 The Question Box, and General Conference.

N. B.—Each speaker appointed on this programme is expected to prepare a short address (ten to fifteen minutes) on the subject assigned.

R. P. SMITH,
For the Committee.

Presbytery adjourned until 9 A. M., with prayer.

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THIRD DAY.

THURSDAY, *October* 13, 1904.

Presbytery met at the appointed hour, and was opened with devotional exercises.

Minutes of Tuesday and Wednesday were read and approved.

Ruling Elder O. P. Orr, of Midway, Dr. R. F. Campbell and Ruling Elder M. M. Brittain gave satisfactory excuses for tardiness, and were enrolled.

The minutes of the Adjourned Meeting of June 7th were read and approved.

The Moderator announced the following standing committees:

Bills and Overtures.—Rev. C. C. Brown and J. F. Johnston.
Auditing.—J. C. Swift and W. S. Terrell.
Leave of Absence.—Rev. J. C. Hardin and O. P. Orr.
Nomination.—Dr. R. F. Campbell and W. E. Deaver.
Doctrinal Sermon.—Rev. E. A. Sample and M. M. Brittain.
General Assembly.—Rev. R. B. Grinnan and J. R. Hill.

On motion, Dr. R. F. Campbell was excused from preaching the doctrinal sermon.

A communication from the American Bible Society was placed in the hands of the Bible Cause Committee.

A communication from Aston, Rauls & Co., regarding the Treasurer's bond, was read, and, on motion, Rev. C. C. Brown and the Stated Clerk were instructed to fill blank and return.

A communication from Davidson College was read, and, on motion, was received as information, and the College commended to the interest and patronage of our people.

A call for the pastoral services of C. B. Currie, from Davidson River Church, was read and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

A communication from the Assembly's Home and School was read, and was referred to the Committee on Minutes of General Assembly.

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A letter from Louisville Presbytery, dismissing Licentiate C. B. Currie, was read, and, on motion, Mr. Currie was received under care of this Presbytery.

Rev. R. P. Smith, in behalf of Special Committee on Manual, offered a report, which was made the first order for the afternoon session.

Free conversation on the state of religion was taken up, but not completed. It was made the second order for night service.

Waynesville was chosen as the place for the next Stated Meeting, and the time to be the first Tuesday of April, 11 A. M.

After a brief recess, Rev. C. A. Campbell, Ph. D., preached, after which the Lord's Supper was administered by Dr. R. F. Campbell and Rev. E. A. Sample, assisted by Elders J. F. Johnston, J. C. Swift, E. E. Quinlan and W. S. Terrell.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Presbytery met at the appointed hour.

Committee on Doctrinal Sermon made report, as follows:

"Recommend that Dr. R. F. Campbell preach the doctrinal sermon at the next meeting; subject to be, "The Scriptural Warrant for Infant Baptism."

Report was approved and adopted.

Rev. E. A. Sample made report on Colored Evangelization, which was approved and recommendations adopted, which were as follows:

"Your committee would recommend that our pastors and sessions endeavor to carry out the suggestions of our higher courts, and urge upon the people to give liberally to this cause in the month of December, the time set apart by the General Assembly.

"E. A. SAMPLE, *Chairman.*"

Ruling Elder B. R. Fakes, a commissioner to the General Assembly, reported that he was present at all the sessions, performed the duties assigned him, and voted on all questions, but did no "speaking." His expenses were $28.95. Report was received and diligence commended.

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Rev. C. Conner Brown, as commissioner to the General Assembly, reported that he had attended all the regular sessions, and discharged his duties to the best of his ability. His expenses were $24.65. The report was received and diligence commended.

A petition from the people of Canton, signed by the following citizens: W. F. Sharp, W. F. P. McGee, Mrs. C. S. Thompson, G. W. Conway, wife and daughter; C. S. Thompson, O. J. Thompson, C. T. Wells, Mrs. C. T. Wells, M. J. Mears and Mrs. J. M. Mears, asking for the organization of a church, was read; and also one from the following, who wish to become members of the proposed church: Mrs. J. C. Hardin, Pearl Tate, Earl Tate, James Henderson, Mrs. Mary E. Fuller, Mrs. A. V. McGee, S. H. McNealy and Mrs. S. H. McNealy.

On motion, it was agreed to appoint a commission to organize a church at this place, if the way be clear, the commission to consist of Rev. R. P. Smith, Rev. J. C. Hardin and Rev. R. S. Eskridge, Ruling Elders D. M. Killiam and W. S. Terrell. The time was left to the discretion of the commission.

Rev. E. A. Sample offered his resignation as Stated Clerk, to take effect at the close of this meeting of Presbytery, and the resignation was accepted.

Rev. R. P. Smith made report on the Manual revision, which, after certain amendments, was adopted.

Rev. R. P. Smith reported that the printing and other expenses of the Sunday-school institute amounted to $3.50.

On motion, a collection was at once taken to settle the account.

The matter of a Sabbath-school institute at the next meeting of Presbytery was referred to the Committee on Publication, Sabbath-Schools and Young People's Societies.

The Committee on Nominations reported the following, which was adopted:

Trustees of Presbytery.—J. D. Murphy, T. S. Morrison and Claybrook James.

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Trustees of Davidson College.—Rev. R. P. Smith and Rev. R. S. Eskridge.

Stated Clerk.—Rev. R. S. Eskridge.

Committee of Presbyterial Home Missions.—Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D., Rev. R. P. Smith, Rev. R. S. Eskridge, Rev. R. B. Grinnan, Rev. V. H. Starbuck, T. S. Morrison, H. N. Lockwood, J. B. Shope and Claybrook James.

Committee of Foreign Missions.—Rev. R. B. Grinnan and J. R. Hill.

Agent of General Assembly's Home Missions.—Rev. V. H. Starbuck.

Agent of Bible Cause and Colored Evangelization.—Rev. J. C. Hardin.

Committee of Publication, Sabbath-Schools and Young People's Societies.—Rev. R. B. Grinnan, Rev. R. P. Smith, Claybrook James and Hugh T. Brown.

Agent of Education and Ministerial Relief.—Rev. C. Conner Brown.

Chairman of Committee on Sessional Records.—C. B. Currie.

Historical Committee.—Rev. R. S. Eskridge, Rev. R. P. Smith and D. M. Killian.

Examination of Candidates.—1. Latin Exegesis and Critical Exercise, Rev. V. H. Starbuck and Rev. R. S. Eskridge. 2. On Arts and Sciences, Rev. J. C. Hardin and J. D. Murphy. 3. On Ecclesiastical History and Church Government, Rev. R. P. Smith, Rev. E. A. Sample and Joseph F. Johnston. 4. Theology and Sacraments, Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D., Rev. R. B. Grinnan and Rev. C. Conner Brown.

The Stated Clerk reported the following churches as not having representatives at the Spring Meeting of Presbytery: Franklin, Morrison, Centre, Jennie Spear Memorial, Covenanters, Swannanoa, Oak Forest, Bryson City, Dillsboro, Waynesville, Mills River, Midway, Preston, Murphy, Andrews and Robbinsville.

The Mills River and Midway churches presented excuses, and were excused.

The Stated Clerk was instructed to send copies of resolution adopted at Spring Meeting bearing upon the subject of representation to the unexcused churches.

The Home Mission Committee was requested to report on the condition of the Highlands Church at the Spring Meeting of Presbytery.

Presbytery changed the name of the Midway Church to Etowah, at its own request.

The commission appointed to install Rev. J. C. Hardin at Bethel reported that they met on the second Sabbath in July and performed the duty assigned. Rev. R. P. Smith presided, propounded the constitutional questions and charged the pastor. Rev. R. S. Eskridge preached a sermon from 2 Cor. xii. 9. Mr. J. D. Murphy delivered the charge to the people. The report was approved and adopted.

Rev. R. P. Smith made a report, as Trustee of Davidson College, which was accepted.

Presbytery then entered into a free discussion of the state of religion, which was interrupted by recess, and made the second order for the night.

Presbytery took recess until 7:30 P. M. Closed with prayer by J. R. Hill.

NIGHT SESSION.

Presbytery reconvened at 7:30, and, after devotional exercises, Dr. R. F. Campbell presided over a popular meeting in the interest of Home Missions, and interesting addresses were made by the chairman, Rev. J. C. Hardin, Rev. R. P. Smith, and others. Collection was taken for the building in Pigeon Gap.

Rev. J. C. Hardin submitted report on the Bible Cause, recommending that all churches be diligent in taking collections at the time specified. Report adopted.

Committee on Bills and Overtures made report, recommending that the call of Davidson River and Brevard churches be returned for correction, and brought up at an adjourned meeting to be held in Asheville.

Rev. J. C. Hardin was excused from remaining in Hendersonville over Sabbath, according to Presbytery's order.

The second order of the day was called, and the free discussion on the state of religion was taken up and completed.

Presbytery adjourned until 9 A. M. Friday. Closed with prayer by Rev. C. C. Brown.

FOURTH DAY.

Presbytery met at 9 A. M., and was opened with prayer by Rev. V. H. Starbuck.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Presbytery, for good and sufficient reasons, dropped the name of Francis Wilkes from the list of candidates.

Presbytery voted to hold an Adjourned Meeting in Asheville on Tuesday, December 6th, at 3 P. M.

Committee on Foreign Missions made report, showing that the last year had been the most prosperous in the history of our church in the matter of Foreign Missions; large gifts and encouraging reports from the field. Our own Presbytery has made encouraging advancement. The ministers and officers of the churches are urged to bring this cause before the people, soliciting not only their silver and gold, but their prayers. They further urged the taking of the *Missionary* and the *Children's Missionary*, and the buying of missionary libraries. Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

"The following brethren have been granted leave of absence: O. P. Orr, M. M. Brittain, W. E. Deaver and J. C. Swift.

"Respectfully submitted,

"J. C. HARDIN."

Committee on Minutes of General Assembly reported, in answer to the request from the Assembly, that the Home and School be put in the hands of the Committee on Education. Adopted.

Presbytery requested that Licentiate C. B. Currie preach his trial sermon at 11 A. M.

Auditing Committee reported no business, and was discharged.

Waynesville was chosen as the place for the Spring Meeting, the first Tuesday of April, at 11 A. M.

Committee on Devotional Exercises: Rev. C. A. Campbell and Ruling Elder J. P. Swift.

Rev. R. B. Grinnan, with Rev. J. C. Hardin as alternate, were nominated for Moderator.

The minutes thus far were read and approved.

After a short recess, Presbytery heard the trial sermon of Licentiate C. B. Currie. Text was Psa. li. The sermon was sustained as a part of the trial.

The following paper was adopted:

"*Resolved,* That, as a Presbytery, we express to the good people of Hendersonville our sincere appreciation of the kindness and hospitality shown in entertaining those in attending the court and the Sabbath-school institute."

The minutes were read and approved.

Presbytery adjourned to meet, at the call of the Moderator, in Asheville, December 6th, at 3 P. M., with prayer.

REV. R. P. SMITH, *Moderator.*

Attest:
R. S. ESKRIDGE, *Stated Clerk.*

REV. V. H. STARBUCK,
Temporary Clerk.

ADJOURNED MEETING.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,
ASHEVILLE, N. C., *December* 6, 1904.

Presbytery met in Adjourned Meeting at 3:30 P. M.; Rev. R. P. Smith, the Moderator, read Psa. cxx., prayer being made by Dr. R. B. Grinnan.

PRESENT: *Ministers.*—Dr. R. F. Campbell, Dr. R. B. Grinnan, R. P. Smith, R. S. Eskridge, V. H. Starbuck and J. C. Hardin.

Licentiate.—C. B. Currie.

Elders.—D. M. Killian and J. F. Johnston.

The Committee on Minutes of the Assembly made the following report, deferred from Stated Meeting, viz.:

"The committee would recommend that the Presbytery vote 'yes' on the overture sent down to the Presbyteries from the Assembly at Mobile, asking to amend the Book of Church Order, Page 8, Sec. IX., Chap. V., Par. 79, by introducing after the word 'meeting,' in the tenth line, 'or in case of the absence, death or inability to act of both the Moderator and Stated Clerk, any three ministers and two ruling elders of different churches shall call a special meeting.'

"R. B. GRINNAN, *Chairman.*"

This report was received and recommendation adopted.

Presbytery excused Dr. R. B. Grinnan.

Rev. R. P. Smith tendered his resignation as General Evangelist of Presbytery, and also the office of Treasurer of the Presbytery, inasmuch as he has accepted the call of the Synod as Superintendent of Synodical Home Missions. Presbytery reluctantly and with deep regret accepted these resignations.

Presbytery elected Rev. R. S. Eskridge Treasurer, and also as Presbyterial Evangelist for one-half his time.

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Rev. A. N. Perryman, of Montgomery Presbytery, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

COMMUNICATION.—A letter from the Congregational Church of South Florida, dismissing Rev. C. A. Campbell was docketed.

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION. — "We, the following undersigned, desiring to become members of the Presbyterian Church, do earnestly request Asheville Presbytery to organize a church of this faith in Leicester, N. C.: D. F. Summey, Frances Mears, Lela Mears, M. M. Mears, J. M. Carver, J. B. Seigler, Mrs. J. M. Seigler, Mrs. J. B. Seigler, W. J. Mears and Mrs. M. L. Summey."

This request was granted, and the following commission was appointed to organize: Rev. R. P. Smith, Rev. R. S. Eskridge, Rev. J. C. Hardin; Elders—Dr. D. M. Gudger, D. F. Summey and W. S. Terrell. Time to be left to the convenience of the commission.

TIME FOR SPRING MEETING CHANGED. — Presbytery reconsidered the time for the Spring Meeting from first Tuesday in April to first Tuesday in May, at 11 A. M.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.—Licentiate C. B. Currie was examined, according to constitutional requirements, on parts not already passed upon. The chairmen of the various committees conducted examinations on the several subjects.

At 6:15 Presbytery adjourned to meet at 9 A. M.

SECOND DAY.

Presbyterv met at 9:30, and, after devotional exercises, continued the examination of Licentiate C. B. Currie. In its several parts and as a whole the examination was sustained.

Rev. R. S. Eskridge was excused.

Calls for the services of Licentiate C. B. Currie from Brevard and Davidson River churches were presented, and being not found in order, motion prevailed that when we adjourn it be to meet at Brevard Church on Friday, January 6, 1905, at 8 P. M.

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On motion, the Moderator and Stated Clerk were instructed to inform the Davidson River and Brevard churches of the deficiency found in their call.

It was ordered that through our Evangelist, appeal be made to the Twentieth Century Builders' Fund for help on a building at Leicester.

The minutes were read and approved.

Presbytery adjourned to meet, ~~at the call of the Moderator~~, in Brevard, January 6, 1905, with prayer by Rev. J. C. Hardin.

REV. R. P. SMITH, *Moderator.*

Attest:

REV. R. S. ESKRIDGE, *Stated Clerk.*

REV. V. H. STARBUCK, *Temporary Clerk.*

Adjourn meeting
Brevard N.C.,
Jan. 6th 1905

Presbytery met in Brevard pursuant to adjournment at 8 & 45 P. M. and was called to order by Rev. C. Conner Brown, last moderator present and opened with prayer.

Present, Rev. R. B. Sussman, D.D., Rev. C. Conner Brown, Rev. V. H. Starbuck & ruling elder M. J. Orr, and Licentiate C. B. Currie.

On motion Presbytery ordered that the words "at the call of the moderator" be stricken from the published minutes, page 17, last paragraph.

Presbytery instructed the moderator to write to Ramsey & Co. & ask that the bond executed for Rev. R. P. Smith as treasurer be transferred to

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Rev. R. S. Eskridge, his successor.

Calls from the Davidson River and Brevard Churches for the pastoral services of Licentiate C. B. Currie, were presented, received, found in order, and placed in his hands. The same were accepted and order taken for his installation on the 3rd Sab. in Jan. and the following Commission appointed. Rev. R. D. Simon D.D., Rev. C. C. Brown, Rev. R. S. Eskridge with Rev. R. P. Smith as alternate, and ruling elders W. E. Brown and M. J. Orr. At Brevard, Rev. C. C. Brown to preside, propound the constitutional questions and charge the people. Dr. R. D. Simon to preach, Rev. R. S. Eskridge to charge the pastor, At Davidson River Dr. R. D. Simon to preside, propound the constitutional questions and charge the people, Rev. R. S. Eskridge to preach and Rev. C. C. Brown to charge the pastor.

The minutes were read and approved. Presbytery then adjourned to meet at Waynesville N.C. May 11th 1905, at 11 a.m., being closed with prayer.

U. M. Starbuck S.C. Rev. C. Conner Brown moderator

attest. Rev. R. S. Eskridge S.C.

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RULES FOR SESSION

IN REGARD TO PROPER MATTER FOR RECORD.

1. The time, place, names of members present and of the moderator should be recorded.

2. Things done are to be recorded; but things moved and rejected, such as reports and statements made but not acted on by the Session, are not proper matter for record.

3. Baptisms, Congregational and Protracted meetings are not things done by Session and ought not to be recorded as acts of Session; but all such historical matters should be recorded by the clerk in appendix. The register should show how and when members are received, birth of children, date of baptism and names of parents.

4. All reports to Presbytery adopted by Session ought to be recorded as proceedings of the Session; the election of representatives to Presbytery and Synod, and their being called on to report at a subsequent meeting, should be recorded; and the minutes should show that they have been approved by the Session before they are sent up to the Presbytery.

5. Orders for Congregational meetings and things done at such meetings on which Session acts; the election, ordination, and installation of officers should be recorded; in general, all things to be recorded which show the orderly and lawful nature of the meeting; all that Session does and no more; and no exception to this general rule will be allowed.

(See Form of Government, Ch. 5, Sec. 3, Par. 5, 6, 7, 8.)

By order of Asheville Presbytery, Waynesville, N. C., May 6th, 1905.

R. S. ESKRIDGE,
Stated Clerk.

[Paste in the Session Book.]

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By order of Asheville Presbytery, Waynesville, N. C., May 6th, 1905.

R. S. REICHERT,
Stated Clerk.

(Note in the Stated Book.)

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MINUTES

OF THE

Presbytery of Asheville.

EIGHTEENTH SESSION,

WAYNESVILLE, N. C.,

MAY 2–5, 1905.

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MINUTES.

SPRING MEETING.

WAYNESVILLE, N. C., *May* 2, 1905.

The Presbytery of Asheville met in its eighteenth annual session Tuesday, May 2nd, at 11 A. M., in the Presbyterian Church of Waynesville, N. C., and was opened with a sermon by Rev. A. N. Perryman; text, Deut. iii. 27, "Get thee up unto the top of Pisgah . . . not go over this Jordan."

After the sermon Presbytery was called to order and constituted with prayer by the retiring Moderator, Rev. R. P. Smith.

The roll was called, and the following recorded as present:

Ministers.—E. A. Sample, R. P. Smith, R. S. Eskridge, R. B. Grinnan, C. C. Brown (2), J. C. Hardin, V. H. Starbuck and C. B. Currie.

Elders.—Messrs. A. J. Brown, Waynesville; M. J. Orr, Brevard; Dr. D. M. Gudger (2), Oak Forest; Dr. B. R. Fakes (2), Asheville First; A. J. Osborne, Bethel; G. M. Brittain, Mills River; and W. C. Connell, Hendersonville.

Rev. R. B. Grinnan was elected Moderator and Rev. C. B. Currie, Temporary Clerk.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises reported hours of meeting: A. M., 9 to 12; P. M., 2 to 5, 8 to 10.

The order for to-night was made for Foreign Missions.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Rev. C. A. Campbell, LL. D., of the General Congregational Association of Florida, was received upon examination in keeping with the Book of Order.

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A call from Bryson City for the pastor services of Rev. A. N. Perryman being presented, but not found in order, was returned for correction.

Report of commission reported on the installation of Rev. C. B. Currie, viz.:

"Your commission appointed by Presbytery at its adjourned meeting at Brevard, January 6, 1905, met in Brevard January 12, 1905, to ordain and install Licentiate C. B. Currie pastor of the Brevard and Davidson River churches.

"*At Brevard.*—Rev. C. C. Brown presided, propounded the constitutional questions and charged the pastor; Dr. R. B. Grinnan preached the sermon; Rev. R. P. Smith charged the people.

"*At Davidson River.*—Dr. R. B. Grinnan presided, propounded the constitutional questions and charged the people; Rev. R. P. Smith charged the pastor; and Rev. C. C. Brown preached the sermon.

After prayer for guidance, Presbytery elected Rev. R. S. Eskridge as commissioner to the General Assembly, with Rev. J. C. Hardin, alternate; Elder W. C. Connell, with D. M. Killion, alternate.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING.

Canton was chosen as the place for the Fall Meeting.

Rev. J. C. Hardin and A. J. Osborn were appointed on Committee of Arrangements.

A report from the Assembly's Home and School was referred to the Committee of Education.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

Narrative.—Rev. E. A. Sample, W. C. Connell.
Devotional Exercises.—Rev. C. A. Campbell, I. J. Brown.
Bills and Overtures.—Rev. R. P. Smith, A. J. Osborne.
Minutes of Assembly.—Rev. C. B. Currie, M. M. Brittain.
Minutes of Synod.—Rev. V. H. Starbuck. M. J. Orr.
Leave of Absence.—Rev. V. H. Starbuck, M. J. Orr.

Call meeting.

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Nominations.—Rev. R. P. Smith, I. J. Brown.
Auditing.—Rev. J. C. Hardin, Dr. B. R. Fakes.
Sessional Records.—Rev. C. C. Brown, W. C. Connell.
Systematic Beneficence.—Rev. J. C. Hardin, B. R. Fakes.

A report from the Faculty of Union Theological Seminary, as to the class standing of Candidate W. P. Chedister, was read. On motion of Rev. R. P. Smith, Presbytery instructed the chairman of Committee of Education to write Mr. Chedister a letter of commendation.

Presbytery heard Rev. A. S. Caldwell in the interest of Barium Springs Orphanage, and, in response to his address, appointed Rev. C. B. Currie and Elder G. M. Brittain on committee as requested by Synod.

EVENING SESSION.

After reading the seventy-second Psalm, Dr. R. B. Grinnan, chairman of the Committee on Foreign Missions, reported, viz.:

"Reports from the churches show a considerable falling off in gifts to Foreign Missions. Last year we gave $1,500; this year, only $937.

"*Resolved,* 1. To urge our ministers to preach on Foreign Missions, and to keep this great advance movement ever before the members of the church.

"2. That missionary societies be organized in all the churches where none exist.

"3. That all the churches be diligent in taking collections on days appointed.

"4. That the subject be presented in all the Sabbath-schools, so that the children may have the opportunity of giving to the cause.

"5. That the missionary magazines be taken as a means of giving needed information.

"6. That the Forward Movement be inaugurated in all the churches where possible."

Adopted.

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SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY, *May* 3, 1905.

Presbytery was opened at 9 A. M. with prayer by Dr. R. B. Grinnan.

Presbytery resolved inself into a Sabbath-school institute, with Rev. R. P. Smith presiding.

The following delegates, in addition to Presbytery, were enrolled: J. B. Shope, W. S. Terrell, Miss Chester Bell, Mrs. Julia Lyons, Mrs. Mary E. Fuller, Mrs. S. H. McNeely, Mrs. A. B. McGee, Mrs. J. C. Hardin, Miss Jessie Thompson, Miss Agnes Walker, Mrs. E. H. Bales, Miss Mary Gray.

PROGRAMME.

Morning Session, 9 o'clock.

1. Devotional exercises and organization.
2. Subject: "The Sabbath-School Library." J. R. Hill and V. H. Starbuck.
3. Subject: "Sabbath-School Music." J. B. Shope and C. B. Currie.
4. Subject: "The Importance of the Shorter Catechism, and How to Teach It." E. A. Sample and Charles Campbell.
5. The Question Box.

Afternoon Session, 2:30 o'clock.

1. Subject: "How to Prepare and How to Teach a Sabbath-School Lesson." James Henderson and A. N. Perryman.
2. Subject: "The Sabbath-School as a Character Builder." W. S. Terrell and R. S. Eskridge.
3. Subject: "How to Organize and How to Maintain Mission Sunday-Schools." Jasper Orr and J. C. Hardin.
4. The Question Box.

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Evening Session, 8 o'clock.

1. Subject: "The Duty of Parents in Training their Children and How it Should be Done." R. B. Grinnan.
2. Subject: "Our Obligations Towards Helpless Orphan Children." E. E. Quinlan and C. C. Brown.
3. General Conference.

R. P. SMITH,
For the Committee.

THIRD DAY.

May 4, 1905.

Presbytery was opened with prayer by W. C. Connell.

Committee on Organization at Leicester reported, recommending that the church be not yet organized. The report was adopted and the committee continued.

Presbytery recommended that Rev. R. S. Eskridge go to Highlands between June 15th and August 15th, and hold protracted meetings, with the view of organizing, if possible, either at Highlands or Short Off.

AFTERNOON—THIRD DAY.

Presbytery was opened with prayer.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures recommended the following overture to the General Assembly, which was adopted:

"The Presbytery of Asheville overtures the General Assembly to meet in Fort Worth as follows:

"1. The Executive Committees shall consist of twelve members each, exclusive of the secretary of secretaries, divided into three classes of four members each, and that one of these classes shall be elected each year to serve for a period of three years, and shall be eligible to re-election at the pleasure of the Assembly.

"2. That the secretary shall be a member of the committee,

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but elected by the committee itself from the whole body of the church; and

"3. That seven members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business."

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence made report, which was adopted and ordered sent to the General Assembly, and is as follows:

"Sixteen churches contributed $954 to Foreign Missions; sixteen churches contributed $82 to General Assembly Home Missions; nineteen churches gave $3,048 to Local Home Missions; ten churches gave $58 to Colored Evangelization; thirteen churches gave $76 to Ministerial Relief; twelve churches gave $241 to Education; thirteen churches gave $81 to Publication; ten churches gave $46 to the Bible Cause.

"Six congregations gave to the eight objects of Systematic Beneficence; three congregations gave to the seven objects of Systematic Beneficence; one congregation gave to the six objects of Systematic Beneficence; four congregations gave to the five objects of Systematic Beneficence; three congregations gave to the three objects of Systematic Beneficence; one congregation gave to the two objects of Systematic Beneficence; two congregations gave to the one object of Systematic Beneficence; three congregations gave to none."

The Committee on Narrative made report, which was adopted, and is as follows:

"(1) Attendance upon the sanctuary by members and others.—Nine say good; nine, fair.

"(2) Observance of family worship.—Two say good; twelve, fair; two, not observed.

"(3) Observance of the Lord's day by members.—Nine, good; four, not good.

"(4) Training of children and youth in the home and Sabbath-school in the Scriptures and Catechisms of the church.—Fifteen say good in one or both; one, fair; four, not good.

"(5) Fidelity of God's people in worshipping God with their substance.—Eight say good; four, fair; four, not good.

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"(6) Have your churches paid their ministers fully and promptly the amount promised them.—Nine say fully and promptly; one, fully but not promptly; three say no.

"(7) Special evidences of spiritual life and growth and activity in the churches.—Four say yes; four say some; eleven say none.

"(8) Does worldly conformity prevail among members?—Three say no; ten say not to large extent; three say yes.

"(9) Evangelistic work outside of churches.—Six say yes; ten say none.

"(10) Supply of your churches with ministration of the Word.—All have regular preaching except four."

A call from the Waynesville Church for the pastoral services of Rev. C. A. Campbell was approved and placed into his hands.

Report of Committee on Sessional Records was made and approved.

Presbytery ordered that the Stated Clerk supply the several sessions with rules for the proper keeping of the sessional records.

A committee, consisting of Rev. E. A. Sample, Rev. R. P. Smith, W. C. Connell and I. J. Brown, were appointed to re-assess the churches of Presbytery.

Presbytery appointed the following committee to install Rev. C. A. Campbell at Waynesville, May 31, 1905: Dr. R. B. Grinnan to preside, preach the sermon and propound the constitutional questions; Rev. R. P. Smith to charge the people; Rev. R. S. Eskridge to charge the pastor; Rev. C. Conner Brown, alternate.

The Committee on Nominations made the following report, which was adopted:

"We recommend that Rev. C. A. Campbell be appointed to preach the sermon prior to the communion service at the next regular meeting of Presbytery; that his theme be the training

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of children as directed in God's holy Word; Rev. A. N. Perryman be appointed alternate."

The Auditing Committee made report, which was adopted, and is as follows:

"We have examined the Treasurer's book, and find it very neatly kept, but no vouchers have been furnished us by the Treasurer or Home Missions Committee on which to base a report. We therefore submit the follow recommendations:

"1. That the Treasurer use a carbon book system for receipting the various amounts received, thus enabling the Auditing Committee to thoroughly check up the receipts.

"2. That the Treasurer make a carbon copy of all the vouchers on which payments are made. No payment should be made without a voucher.

"3. That when the Home Missions Committee examines the accounts it should certify to the correction of the same when examined, thus making it unnecessary for the Presbytery to go over the same items."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S HOME MISSIONS.

"The Home Mission work of our General Assembly's Executive Committee embraces several features. The committee aids weak congregations in erecting churches at salient points where they would otherwise be lacking. It aids weak Presbyteries in maintaining pastors and supplies in congregations and groups which would otherwise be left vacant, and in keeping evangelists in fields which would otherwise be neglected. Some of the work is practically of a Foreign Mission nature, notably that among the red men of the Indian Territory and that among the Mexicans in Texas.

"The most of the work is in frontier sections. Formerly it was confined to the weaker Synods of Florida, Arkansas and Texas, but has recently been enlarged so as to reach any Presbytery whose needs and opportunities seem to justify the work there. Our own Presbytery is receiving through this committee the sum of $500 for educational work, which is another important feature of the committee's efforts.

"The last Assembly asked for $100,000 to relieve the destitutions of these frontier Synods and Presbyteries. Dr.

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Morris writes that half of this amount has been raised, though this has been the best year of the work.

"We know that our own Presbytery is weak and has great needs at home, and yet our contributions for this cause, which means so much to the future existence of our church, are mere trifles. The reports for the year just closed show that our collections for this cause have aggregated about $80, a gain of $6 over the previous year. Only fifteen churches contributed, viz.: Asheville, Swannanoa, Hendersonville, Mills River, Brevard, Jennie Spear Memorial, Covenanters, Dillsboro, Robbinsville, Davidson River, Waynesville, Morrison, Bethel, Oak Forest and Bryson City. The other churches report no contribution for this cause in two years.

"We recommend that every church be urged to give at least one collection a year to this cause, and that all be urged to remember that this work is of vital importance to the prosperity and the very life of our church on the frontier."

Report of Committee on Leave of Absence made report as follows, which was adopted:

"Rev. C. C. Brown and Elder M. M. Brittain were excused from further attendance."

Elder J. R. Hill, of Hendersonville Church, with Rev. V. H. Starbuck as alternate, were nominated for Moderator for the next Presbytery.

The matter of completing the church at Rosman was referred to the Home Missions Committee.

EVENING SESSION.

The session was called to order by the Moderator and opened with prayer by Rev. C. A. Campbell. The hour for popular meeting in behalf of Home Missions having arrived, the same was entered into by Presbytery. In the absence of the chairman, Rev. R. P. Smith presided and read the report, after which Rev. C. C. Brown and Rev. J. C. Hardin made addresses before the Presbytery. Several short addresses followed. Presbytery adjourned with prayer to meet the following day.

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FOURTH DAY.

FRIDAY, *May* 5, 1905.

Presbytery was called to order by the Moderator at 9 A. M., and opened with prayer.

Rev. Mr. Sims, of the Baptist Church, was invited to sit as a visiting brother, and as such was introduced to the body.

Systematic Beneficence report was read and approved, and is as follows:

"We recommend the following schedule of collections for all churches having only one service per month:

January, ... Assembly's Home Missions.
February, ... Presbyterial Home Missions.
March, ... Presbyterial Assessment.
April, ... Education.
May, ... Publication.
June, ... Synodical Home Missions.
July, ... Ministerial Relief.
August, ... Presbyterial Home Missions.
September, ... Orphanage.
October, ... Foreign Missions.
November, ... Bible Cause.
December, ... Colored Evangelization.

Presbytery appointed September 11th, at 7:30 P. M., for the time of next regular meeting.

Report of Committee to Re-assess the Churches (see Appendix) was adopted.

Presbytery ordered that the churches be called upon by the Stated Clerk to make a special call upon the churches for a collection to cancel the existing debts against the Presbytery for Presbyterial expenses, and that all collections over and above the amount needed for this purpose to go into the general presbyterial fund.

The report on statistics was made and approved.

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Presbytery decided to hold Sabbath-school institute at its next regular meeting, and that its present committee of arrangements be continued.

Reports on Young People's Societies, Women's Societies and Sabbath-schools were read and approved.

The ministers of the Presbytery were requested, on motion by Rev. C. A. Campbell, to bring the Crabtree Orphanage prominently before the churches and Sabbath-schools, and that at least once yearly collection be taken in each for support of the work.

A resolution of thanks was voted the Waynesville Church for their hospitable entertainment of Presbytery and the Sabbath-school institute, said resolution to be offered for publication in the local paper and read to the Waynesville Church.

Minutes were read and approved.

Presbytery adjourned, with prayer, to meet in Canton, September 11th, 7:30 P. M.

DR. R. B. GRINNAN,
Moderator.

REV. C. B. CURRIE, *Temporary Clerk.*

Attest:

REV. R. S. ESKRIDGE, *Stated Clerk.*

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APPENDIX.

APPORTIONMENT ORDERED BY PRESBYTERY.

CHURCHES.	Ministerial Education.	Presbyterial Home Miss.	Synodical Home Miss.	Gen. Assem. Home Miss.	Church Erection.	Publication.	Colored Evangelistic	Ministerial Relief.	Presbyterial Assessment.
Asheville,	$150	$1200	$200	$50	$300	$40	$75	$100	$100
Andrews,	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	3
Bethel,	4	15	4	3	4	2	2	3	8
Brevard,	5	20	5	5	5	3	3	5	12
Bryson City,	2	7	2	1	4	2	1	1	5
Carlton, *	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Covenanters.	1	4	2	1	2	1	1	1	2
Centre,	1	3	1	1	2	1	1	1	1
Davidson River,	5	15	4	4	4	2	2	4	8
Dillsboro,	2	5	2	1	2	1	2	2	2
Etowah,	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Franklin,	5	10	3	2	3	2	2	3	5
Hendersonville,	5	15	5	5	5	3	3	3	10
Hayesville,	1	4	1	1	2	1	1	1	2
Highlands,	1	5	2	1	2	2	1	2	3
Jennie Spear Memorial,	1	4	2	1	2	1	1	1	2
Mills River.	5	15	4	3	5	2	2	3	8
Morrison,	2	5	2	1	2	2	1	2	3
Murphy,	3	10	3	2	3	2	2	2	5
Oak Forest.	3	8	3	2	3	2	2	2	4
Preston,	1	4	2	1	2	1	1	1	2
Robbinsville,	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	4
Swannanoa,	4	12	3	2	3	2	2	3	8
Waynesville,	5	20	5	3	5	3	3	4	20

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The Constitutional requirement having been complied with.

The Call. "Asheville Presbytery is hereby called to meet in the Asheville Church Sept 5 at 8 P.M. to consider a time and place for State meeting" R.B. Grimes mod.

Presbytery met according to the time of the Call Sept. 5th at 8 P.M. with the Asheville Church Present.

Dr. R. F. Campbell Dr. R. B. Grimes, Rev. R. P. Smith, Rev. R. S. Eskridge and Elder R. B. Fakes.

R. B. Grimes, moderated the meeting, which was opened with prayer by R. B. Fakes

It having proven unwise to meet at Canton an account of the School being in session, Asheville 1st Church extended an invitation and Presbytery accepted.

To meet Tuesday Sept 11th at 8 P.M.

Presbytery adjourned with prayer by M.J. Orr.

R. B. Grimes
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Nineteenth Session

The Presbytery of Asheville met with the Asheville Church Sept. 11th 1905 at 7.30 P.M. and was opened with a sermon by the retiring moderator, Dr. R. B. Grinnan Ps. 85:10.

The Presbytery was called to order and constituted with prayer by the moderator.

The roll was called, and the following noted as present.

Roll

Ministers. E. A. Sample, R. F. Campbell D.D., R. P. Smith, R. S. Eskridge, C. C. Brown (2) R. B. Grinnan D.D. J. C. Hardin, C. A. Campbell Ph.D. V. H. Starbuck, C. B. Currie and A. M. Bryan.

Elders J. V. Brown, Asheville 1st Dr. D. M. Gudger (2) Oak Forest. W. S. Terrell, Bethel, M. J. Ow. Buvard, and D. M. Killian, Waynesville.

Churches not represented.

The following Churches were not represented. Hendersonville, Andrews, Bryson City, Canton, Cowenaters, Center, Davidson's River, Dillsboro, Etowah, Franklin, Hayesville, Highlands, Jennie Speir memorial, Mills River, Morrison, Murphy, Preston Robbinsville, & Swannanoa

Rev. V. H. Starbuck was elected moderator, and Rev. R. S. Eskridge, Temp. Clerk.

Com. on Devot. Exercises

Committees on devotional exercises rec.

commended that Presbytery meet 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 3.30 P.M. to 5.30 - Evening, 8-

Communion

Communion Service Wed. 11 a.m. - Sermon by Rev. Dr. Chas. Campbell.

Address by Jno. Sitter

Wed. 8 P.M. Address on work for the Negroes by Rev. John Sitter of Louisville.

Address on F. M. C. A. Campbell

Thursday 8 P.M. Address on - F. Miss. by Rev. C. A. Campbell.

Rev. Jno. Sitter of Louisville Presbytery, and Rev. J. A. Hardin of Columbia Pres. were invited to sit as corresponding members.

Rev. R. S. Eskridge was appointed to preside at the Communion service.

Presbytery then met in executive session and adopted paper addressed to French Broad Presbytery from this body, and ordered it sent to same at its session being held at Jupiter. (See appendix for the whole series of these papers.)

Second Day. Com. Apt.

Wed. Morning.

Presbytery met at 9.30 a.m. and after devotional exercises, the moderator named the following Committees.

Bills & overtures. R. B. Grinnan D.D. & R. F. Campbell D.D.

Minutes of Gen. Ass. C. C. Brown Rev. J. C. Hardin and W. S. Terrell.

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Second Day.

Leave of Absence – Rev. L. B. Cosnie and J. V. Brown.

Nominations. Rev. E. A. Sample, and Dr. C. A. Campbell.

Auditing. Rev. R. P. Smith and H. M. Kilgore.

Perryman Called

A Call from Bryson City for the pastoral services of Rev. A. M. Perryman was read and referred to the Com. on Bills and Overtures.

Starbuck made evangelist.

Presbytery – upon request of Center Church, granted conferred powers of evangelist upon Rev. V. H. Starbuck to be exercised within the bounds of Center Church.

Highlands

Evangelist made report of his appointed visit to Highlands, in which little hope of an organized church was found, but Shatoff had petitioned for an organization.

Shatoff.

A petition from Shatoff for Church organization was referred to Com. on Bills and Overtures.

S. S. Institute

The Com. appointed at the last meeting of Presbytery to have charge of the S. S. Institute reported that owing to change of place for this meeting of Presbytery, it was deemed best not to hold the Institute this fall. Presbytery adopted the report.

Installation C. A. Campbell

The Commission to install Rev C. A. Campbell at Waynesville reported doing so.

The Commission met as appointed. Rev. R. B. Grimm preached the sermon and propounded the questions. Rev. C. Conner Brown delivered the charges to the people and pastor, since the others appointed on the commission were not present. R. B. Grimm, Chm.

Order of Day

Conference on St. Miss. and pre Convention on the State of religion was made the order of the day for Thurs. 11, a.m. Recess.

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Prayer by W. S. Terrell.

Hour for ~~Stories~~ special order for Thurs. 11, a.m. was changed to 4 30 P.M.

Commissioners to Gen. As. Report

Commissioners to the Gen. As. made written report, as required, each having attended all the sessions of the assembly, and rendered itemized statements as to expense. That of W. C. Connell was $38.00 and R. S. Eskridge's $43.20.

Bethel was chosen as the place of next stated meeting.

Com. on Bills & Overtures report.

The Com. on Bills and Overtures made report, stating that the call from Bryson City Church for Rev. A. M. Perryman was found in order, and Presbytery ordered it placed in the hands of the pastor elect, he signifying his acceptance. The Presbytery appointed the following committee to install him.

Perryman Installation ordered

Rev. R. P. Smith to charge the people.

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Rev. R. B. Grimes - to preach the Sermon and charge the pastor

Rev. C. B. Currie to preside and propound the Constitutional questions

Elder A. M. Fry.

Alternates Dr. C. A. Campbell and Elder A. M. Killian. Time, any second or fourth Sat that may be most convenient, before next Stated meeting of Presbytery.

F. R. Allen examined as Candidate

On motion Presbytery examined F. R. Allen as a candidate for the Ministry, according to the requirements of the Presbyterial manual & Bk. of Ch. Order, the examination having proven satisfactory, on motion, he was taken under care of Presbytery.

Organization at Shortoff - Com. appoints.

Com. on Bills and Overtures approved of a request for organization of a Presbyterian Church at Shortoff, signed by the following: desiring membership.

Book Wright — Laura Wright, James Wright, Virginia A Wright, Frances Wright, Adeline Wright, J. R. Wright Ruby Phillips, Frank Wright, Ellen S. Wright Thos Hedden, Marion Wright, Julia A Wright, Christine Anderson, Dora Smith, Elizabeth Anderson, Jennie Gallaher, Minnie Gallaher & Mrs. W. W. Smith

Citizens. C. O. Smith, Esther E. Smith, R. J. Phillips - E. V. Rice. M. L. Wright - Susan Rice, W. V. Hedden. W. R. Hedden. M. L. Hedden. J. W. Houston - Mary Phillips - J. G. Gallowals. Eva M. Wright. E. P. Norlom.

Commission appt. to organize at Shortoff.

The following Commission - was appointed to organize a church at Shortoff or Highlands. R. F. Campbell, Rev. R. S. Eskridge, V. D. Stoebuck. M. J. Orr. Geo McPherson. The Commission was given the authority to set their own time of meeting and to organize at Highlands or Shortoff, as they deemed best.

Rev. E. A. Sample was given permission to labor outside the bounds of Presbytery until the Spring meeting.

Trustees of Davidson College made report which was received as information.

A request for evangelistic services in the Jay field was referred to the H. Miss. Com.

Rev. A. N. Burgman was appointed to hold a series of services at Grabtree.

On motion Presbytery revised the order of the day, changing the popular meeting in behalf of the same day. from 8 P.M. Thursday to 11 a.m.

Recess.

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Com. on Bible Course and Col. Evang. made report as follows.
Sixteen Churches contributed $4 9.00 to Bible Course. Ten contributed nothing.
The importance of this work is growing. Contributions of the Assembly from all sources amounted to $6,524.42. The Am. Bib. Society distributed during the year ending Mar. 31. 1905 - 1,831,094 copies of the Scriptures.
To Col. Evang. Ten churches gave $50.00 Sixteen not contributing. From the whole assembly gave $10,099.45. While the Assembly's Executive Com. reports progress in this cause, yet we deplore the fact that the cause is generally and shamefully neglected and the way it is treated seems almost like mockery. But let us trust in God and double our diligence and hope for better things. Adopted.

Address by Jas. Sattle.

Rev. Jas. Sattle of Sanford Presbytery addressed our court in the interest of the Colored work, after which an offering was taken for this cause, amounting to $7.37.

Devot. Com. for next Assy.

Devotional Committee for the Spring meeting is composed of J. E. Stockton

and W. S. Terrell.
Presbytery adjourned until 9.30 tomorrow.

Thursday 13th

9.30 a.m. After devotional exercises conducted by the moderator, Presbytery was called to order.
The minutes of preceding sessions were read and after correction were approved.

Auditing Com.

Auditing Committee had no matter to report upon.

Com. on Nominations

Your Com. on nominations by leave to make the following report, 1 - that Dr. R. F. Campbell, with Dr. C. A. Campbell as alternate, to preach the doctrinal sermon on the subject "Scriptural authority for Infant Baptism."
2 - Rev. R. S. Eskridge to succeed himself as trustee of Davidson College.
3 - Rev. A. M. Pennyman, with Dr. C. A. Campbell alternate, to moderate at the next regular meeting.
Hour for order of the day having arrived Presbytery heard a report from Com. of Fr. Miss., after which Presbytery heard an able address on the subject from Dr. C. A. Campbell.
Report of the Com. on Gen. As. H. Mis.

made report which was received as information.

Presbytery ordered the Stated Clerk to record the reception of Rev. A. N. Perryman, which was omitted from our Spring minutes.

Rev. A. N. Perryman was, upon the constitutional requirements as to examination having been satisfactorily passed, received from Mount Gomery Presbytery as a member of our body.

Dr. Thos. Lawrence and Rev. Hutchison of French Broad Presbytery were introduced to Presbytery and invited to sit as corresponding members.

The hour of the day, a free conference on the state of religion was entered into which gave a helpful and very encouraging view of most of our churches.

Com. on Leave of Absence reported that it had granted leave of absence to Dr. D. M. Sudger and Rev C. C. Brown, after morning session of Thursday.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted.

"Be it resolved by the Asheville Pres-

bytery, in session at the Asheville Church, that we extend our hearty thanks to the Asheville Church for its hospitable entertainment of the Presbytery.

Next Stated meeting will be held at Bethel, Apr. 10th at 7:30 P.M.

Adjourned -

V. H. Stoebuck
Mod.

R. S. Eskridge S.C.,
attest.

Call meeting – Red Springs
Oct. 25 – 1905. 9 30 P.m.

Meeting ordered by Synod –
Presbytery having been called by Synod to prefer an overture touching the relations of Asheville and French Broad Presbyteries, met as ordered.
Rev. R. P. Smith presided. Prayer by Dr. R. F. Campbell.
Present. R. F. Campbell D.D. & C. A. Campbell
Rev. R. P. Smith, Rev. E. A. Sample, Rev. R. J. Eskridge, and Elder J. W. Murphy.
Dr. H. R. Howerton of Mecklenburg was invited to sit as a corresponding member.
The following overture was made to the Synod.
The Presbytery of Asheville respectfully overtures the Synod of North Carolina to consider the official communications that have passed between the Presbytery of Asheville and the Presbytery of French Broad, touching the basis of cooperation in the home field, adopted by the Two Assemblies, North and South at the Assemblies of 1887. and asks the judgement of the Synod as to the interpretation of the articles of agreement constituting the basis of coöperation
Prayer by E. A. Sample. adjourned. R. P. Smith mod.
R. J. Eskridge S.C. attest R.F.C.

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Twentieth Session of the Asheville Presbytery.

MINUTES

First day.
Bethel Church, April 10" 1906.

Asheville Presbytery met at Bethel Church at 7:30 P.M., and after a sermon by Rev. V.H.Starbuck, retiring moderator, on 1st Peter 1-3, was constituted with prayer.

The following ministers were present:
R.F.Campbell, D.D., Chas. Campbell, J.C.Hardin, C.C.Brown, R.B.Grinnan, D.D., V.H.Starbuck, R.P.Smith (2), R.S.Eskeridge (2).

Churches represented- L.V.Brown, First Church, Asheville; L.T.Williams, Hendersonville, E.E.Quinlan, Waynesville; W.S. Terrell, Bethel; N.P.Rankin, Franklin.

Rev. Chas. Campbell was nominated moderator and elected. Rev. C. Connor Brown was elected temporary clerk.

Committee on devotional exercises reported the hours of meeting as follows: 9:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.- 2 P.M. to 4:30 PM.-- 8 PM. to adjourn at will. Report was received and adopted.

Order was made taken for Home Missions on Wednesday evening. Order was ~~taken~~ made for Foreign Missions on Thursday evening.

The Presbytery then adjourned untill tomorrow at 9 AM. with prayer by R.B.Grinnan.

Second Day.

Morning Session.
Wednesday, April 11, 1906.

Devotional exercises were conducted by moderator. Candidate J.C.Brown was received from Kings Mountain Presbytery. Elder D.M.Killian, of Waynesville Church presented a petition for the organization of a church at Hazelwood, in Haywood County; said petition signed by the following persons: D.M.Killian, W.Wm.McConnell, Lillie L. McConnell, Mrs Julia C. Welch, J.B.Hoyle, Mrs. J.B.Hoyle, T.V.Davis, Mrs. T.V.Davis, Mrs. W.E. Landis, Mrs. I.J.Brown, J.S.Cowan, B.W. Wright, W.H.Cole, Mrs.W.H.Cole, Miss Elizabeth Church. Presbytery ordered a commission to be appointed to visit Hazelwood, and if the way was clear, to organize a church. Commission: Rev. R.P.Smith, R.S.Eskeridge, Rev. Chas. Campbell, Elders D.M.Killian and W.S.Terrell.

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Pastoral relations between Rev. C.B.Currie and Brevard and Davidson's River churches were dissolved, and a letter of dismission was given to Rev. C.B.Currie to the Concord Presbytery.

The Moderator announced the following committees:
(1) Bills and Overtures--Rev. R.P.Smith and N.P.Rankin.
(2) Narrative-Rev. R.S.Eskeridge and W.S.Terrell.
(3) Minutes of Synod-Rev. V.H.Starbuck and E.E.Quinlan.
(4) Leave of Absence-Rev.C.C.Brown and W.S.Terrell.
(5) Nominations-Rev.V.H.Starbuck abd L.T.Williams.
(6) Auditing-Rev.R.F.Campbell and N.P.Rankin.
(7) Sessional Records-Rev. R.B.Grinnan and E.E.Quinlan.
(8) Systematic Benevolence- Rev.R.P.Smith and L.T.Williams.

After five minutes' recess, the doctrinal sermon was preached by Rev. R.F.Campbell, D.D., on the subject "Scriptural Warrant for Infant Baptism", text Gen. 17:7. At the close of the sermon communnion service was conducted by Rev. R.B.Grinnan and Rev.C.Connor Brown, assisted by Elders E.E. Quinlan, J.V.Brown, L.T.Williams and W.S.Terrell.

Recess was then taken until 1:30 PM.

Afternoon Session.

Presbytery reassembled at 1:30PM. and resumed business.

Minutes of the last meeting of the Presbytery were read by the stated clerk and corrected.

By vote, Rev. R.F.Campbell was requested to publish his sermon on "Scriptural Warrant for Infant Baptism".

Rev.E.A.Sample was dismissed to Concord Presnytery.

Examination of Candidate J.C.Brown was then entered into. Being an extraordinary case, he was not examined on languages, art and science. Examination on Ecclesiastical History and Church Government, theology, sacraments and experimental religion was sustained in part and as a whole. Thursday morning at 11 o'clock was made the order to hear the trial sermon and for ordination of Candidate J.C.Brown. Rev. R.P.Smith was appointed to deliver charge to Mr. Brown as evangelist.

The following Report of the Home Mission committee on auditing the treasurer's books was the received: The Home Mission committee beg leave to report that, in accordance with instructions received from the Presbytery, their committee, through its auditing committee, has audited the Treasurer's reports and books at each of its regular monthly meetings.

This auditing committee has reported each month that they found the Treasurer's reports and books correct.

(Signed) R.F.Campbell,
Chm. Home Mission Committee

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Commission to organize church at Short-Off reported the duty performed. Minutes to be recorded in record of church with the reading.- Adopted.

Committee appointed to install Rev. A.N.Perryman at Bryson City reported duty performed.- Approved.

Rev.C.Connor Brown was granted ~~ecclesiastical~~ evangelistic powers.

After prayer by Mr. E.E.Quinlan, recess was taken until 8 P.M.

Evening Session.

Presbytery met at 8 PM.

The popular meeting in interest of Home Missions, was presided over by Rev. R.F. Campbell, chairman, and interesting speeches were made by Rev.R.S.Eskeridge, Elder E.E.Quinlan, and Rev. R.P.Smith.

The following recommendations were adopted: 1st. That the Rev. R.S.Eskeridge be elected to serve as general evangelist until the next stated meeting of the Presbytery. 2nd. In view of the scarcity of our resources in proportion to the demands of our Home Mission work, that the Presbytery urge upon pastors and sessions to impress upon every church the importance of liberal contributions to this cause and that fields receiving aid be appealed to to relieve the Presbytery of the aid appropriation as rapidly as possible.

(Signed) R.F.Campbell, Chm.

Collection of $10.15 was taken, after which Presbytery adjourned with prayer by Rev. R.P.Smith, to meet at 9:30 AM. tomorrow.

Third Day.

Morning Session.

Thursday, April 12" 1906.

Presbytery met at 8:30 AM., and opened with devotional exercises conducted by Elder E.E.Quinlan.

The minutes of former sessions were read and approved as corrected.

After prayer by Rev. R.F.Campbell, commissioners to the General Assembly, which convenes at Greenville, S.C , May 17-1906, were ~~appointed~~ elected.

Ministers- Rev. R.B.Grinnan, principal; Chas. Campbell, Alternate.

Elders- E.E.Quinlan, principal; J.V.Brown, alt.

Report of committee on General Assembly's Home Missions was received and adopted: We call Presbytery's attention to

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the fact that the Assembly is asking for $100,000 for this cause with the understanding that the work is to be greatly enlarged if this amount is raised. Of this amount our Presbytery is asked for $700.00. While falling far behind this amount, we have reason to rejoice in some improvement. Last year, 16 churches gave $90. During the year just ended, only 12 churches gave, but the amount has increased to $118.00. The churches contributing last year and not this are all vacant.

(Signed) V.H.Starbuck.

Report of committee on systematic benevolence was received, adopted, and ordered to be sent to the General Assembly.

Foreign Missions, 12 churches, $932.00, Assembly's Home Missions, 13 churches, $118.00, Local Home Missions, 14 churches, $3125, Colored Evangelization, 11 churches, $47, Ministerial Relief, 13 churches, $89, Education, 12 churches, $651, Publication, 9 churches, $44, Bible Cause, 9 churches, $62; total $5068.

The stated clerk was ordered to write to each clerk of the Sessions and urge them to make out their statistical report by Mar.31 of each year.

Report of Committee on Sessional records was received and adopted as follows: Asheville First Church, Mills River, Franklin & Waynesville. Minutes of Bethel Church were examined and approved except that no report was made by delegate to Presbytery. Minutes of Hendersonville were examined and approved except that no report was made by delegate to Presbytery.

Moderator appointed Rev. R.B.Grinnan chairman of committee of Sunday Schools and Publication.

Chm. of committee to examine the popular lecture of Candidate J.C.Brown reported the popular lecture as sustained. approved

After recess of five minutes, Presbytery reassembled to hear the trial sermon of Candidate J.C.Brown from text Matthew 6:24, which was sustained.

The constitutional requirements having been complied with, Candidate J.C.Brown was ordained with the laying on of the hands of the Presbytery, Rev. Chas. Campbell presiding. Rev. R. F. Campbell offered the ordination prayer and Rev. R.P.Smith delivered the charge.

After prayer by Rev. V.H.Starbuck, recess was taken until 1:30 PM.

Afternoon Session.

Presbytery met at 1:30 PM., and was opened with prayer by Rev. R.B.Grinnan.

The report of the treasurer was received and referred to the auditing committee.

The com. on General Assembly's Minutes recommended the adoption of the overture sent down from the last General Assembly to amend Form of Government, Sec.7-Chapter 5. Adopted. Rev.V.H. Starbuck dissented.

The following Report of com. on ministerial education received and adopted: We have under care of Asheville Presbytery two students. Mr. W.P.Chedester has made a splendid record at Union School Seminary. Mr. Thos. Allen, on account of his eyes has not been able to pursue his studies at Davidson. No aid received this year for candidates from Ass. Com. on Ministerial Education. This Presbytery gave last year to this cause $58.00, this year (8 churches) $73.00. The amount apportioned was $150.00. For education in general last year, $242; this year $651; gain $409.

Com. recommends that the cause of education be presented at all appointed times and impress the importance of education in the building up of God's Kingdom.

Chas. Connor Brown, Chm.

Report of Committee on Ministerial Relief ~~report~~ was received and adopted: The cause of Ministerial Relief has been vigorously and wisely pushed by the Assembly's Com., and its efficient Secretary. But little has been done by Asheville Presbytery. Last year this Presbytery was asked for $150.00 and gave $81.00, and this year gave more, but only $113.00. Though in no one in the Asheville Presbytery is receiving aid from the Relief Com,-yet our Synod received last year $383.00 more for her beneficiaries than was given for this important cause.

This is a part of the Church's great work and it is a privilege as well as a duty to aid the old and helpless servants of God. Therefore; 1. It is recommended that opportunity be given to the people to contribute to this cause at all stated times;

2. And that the pastors urge their people to respond liberally in support of this important work of our chucrh.

(Signed) Chas. Connor Brown,Chm.

Report of Young People's Societies read, approved and ordered to be sent to the General Assembly.

The following Report of the Auditing committee was read and approved: The Auditing committee would report to the Presbytery that we have examined the Treasurer's report and find that the balance appearing on his report corresponds with the balance on his books, which have been audited each month by a sub-

committee of the Home Mission Committee as directed by Presbytery.

(Signed) R.F.Campbell, Chm.

The following overture to the General Assembly was adopted: Asheville Presbytery respectfully overtures the General Assembly,of the United States, which is to meet in Greenville, S.C., May, 1906, that when legislations affecting the standards of the church, are before the General Assembly, it must be printed and put in the hands of all commissioners, so that they may clearly understand the question.

Report of Com. on Synod's minutes was received and adopted.

Report of Com. on Sabbath Schools was received and adopted and ordered to be sent to the General Assembly.

Report of Com. on Narrative was received, adopted and ordered to be sent to the General Assembly.

1) Good, 12;fairly good, 5; no report,7.
2) Good 2; by a few 7; by majority 1; Not good 3; Not at all 3; No report 8.
3) Very good 6; Quietly but not spiritually 2; good 6; not good 2; no report 8.
4) Good 7; fair 4; neglected 6; no report 7.
5) Good 9; fair 5; not well done3; no report 7.
6) Yes 14; no 3; no report 7.
7)Yes 10; no 7; no report 7.
8) No 10; not greatly 5; yes 2; no report 7.
9) Yes 6; no 11; no report 7.

~~(Signed) R.B.Grinnan, Chm.~~

Report of committee on church statistics was received, adopted and ordered to be sent to the General Assembly.

Mills River was chosen as the next place of meeting; time Sept. 24,'06, 8 PM.

Rev. C. COnnor Brown and J.H.Burgin were appointed committee of arrangements.

Report of Nomination com. was received and approved.
For Moderator Rev. J.C.Hardin,principal.
" A.N.Perryman, alt.

Home Mission Com. The present committee to be continued except D.N.Lockwood, Claybrook James and V.H.Starbuck.

To preach the doctrinal sermon:
Prin. Rev. V.H.Starbuck.
Alt. " R.P.Smith.
Subject "The Atonement"

It was moved and carried that ordinarily the doctrinal sermon be preached on the third day of Presbytery, unless otherwise provided.

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Rev. R. S. Eskeridge resigned as stated clerk and Rev. R.B.Grinnan was elected as stated clerk.

Rev. J.C.Brown was excused after morning session.

Elder E.L.Slagle of Center church was permenantly excused from attendance at the meetings of Presbytery, and the stated clerk was ordered to write him a letter of sympathy and commend himfor his past faithfulness as a servant of God.

Presbytery as a committee of the whole, discussed the question of the attendance at Presbytery by the Elders. Following resolutions were adopted: First. Pastors were ordered to urge upon the Elders the necessity of attending Presbytery; Second. the stated clerk was ordered to write to delinquent churches after each meeting of Presbytery and bring the matter before the sessions.

After prayer by Rev. J.C.Hardin, Presbytery took recess until 8 PM.

Evening Session.

Presbytery met at 8 PM.

Popular service in interest of Foreign Missions was conducted by the Chairman, and an address was made by the Rev. R.B.Grinnan. The following report was received and adopted: It is with great sorrow that there has been a slight falling off in the contributions to this great cause. Last year, the gifts amounted to $965.00, while this year the sum is $934.00 for 13 churches. Two years ago, it was $1500.00. Twelve churches were reported as not contributing. Therefore, we would urge all of the ministers and officers to bring the cause earnestly before their people. (2) We would urge the organization of Missionary Societies wherever they do not exist. (3) We urge the adoption of the Forward Movement system where ever practical. (4) We approve and urge the organization of a Ladies' Presbyterial Mission Union.

(Signed) R.B.Grinnan.

Rev. R.B.Grinnan was appointed to help in the organization of the Presbyterial Women's Missionary Union.

Following resolution of thanks to the Bethel for their kind hospitality was adopted: Resolved:- That we hereby express to the Pastor and people of Bethel Church, our sincere appreciation of the kindness shown us in hospitably entertaining us in their homes, in providing such bountiful, wholesome and tempting lunches and in providing conveyances from the R.R. and while in the neighborhood; also for so patiently listening to us in all our long-winded arguments. And further resolved; that we hope to come again.

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By motion a Sunday School Institute was ordered to be held at the next meeting of Presbytery at Mills River.

Minutes read and approved.

After prayer by Rev. R.P.Smith, Presbytery adjourned to meet at call of Moderator, Sept. 24th, 1906, at 8 PM. at Mills River.

Signed C. A. Campbell, Mod.

R. B. Grinnan S.C.

Asheville, N.C. Sept. 10" 1906.

Asheville Presbytery met in the pastor's study of the First Presbyterian Church of Asheville, N.C., at 3 P.M. in response to the call from the Moderator.

Present:
DR. R.F.Campbell, Rev. R.S.Eskeridge, Elders J.V.Brown, and E.E.Quinlan. No quoram being present the meeting adjourned until 8:30 P.M.

8.30 P.M. The Presbytery met and was called to order by the Moderator, Rev.CHas. A.Campbell. Rev. R.B.Grinnan led in prayer.

Present Rev. Chas. A.Campbell, Dr. R.F.Campbell, Rev. R.B. Grinnan, and Elders J.V. Brown and E.E.Quinlan. The call for the meeting was read and found in order, and is as follows:

"The constitutional requirements having been complied with, the Presbytery of Asheville is hereby called to meet at the First Presbyterian Church, Asheville, N.C., Monday, Sept. 10" at 3 P.M. Business: to receive Walter S. Caine as a candidate for the Gospel ministry if the way be clear.

(Signed) Chas. A.Campbell, Moderator.

Mr. Walter S. Caine, of Asheville, presented hinself as a candidate for the Gospel ministry, to be taken under the care of Presbytery. Dr. R.F.Campbell, his pastor, highly recommended him as a suitable candidate, he being a deacon in the First Church of Asheville. After examination on Experimental religion, and Motives for entering the ministry, he was received by a unamimous vote. The stated clerk was ordered to send a certificate to this effect to the President of Union Theological Seminary.

Minutes were read and approved.

Adjourned with prayer by R. (Signed) R.B.Grinnan S.C.

C. A. Campbell. Mod.

Approved with the following exceptions
1st Failed to bring records to the last meeting of Synod at Red Springs.
2nd Minutes are type written and pasted on record book-

Statesville N.C.
Oct. 28th 1906

W. R. Coppedge,
Moderator.

1906 Called Meeting. Asheville N.C. Sept. 10, 1906

Asheville Presbytery met at the call of the Moderator in the pastor's study at the First Presbyterian Church of Asheville N.C. at 3 p.m.

Present Revs. R.F. Campbell D.D. & R.S. Eskridge. Elders J.V. Brown & E.E. Quinlan.

No quorum being present Presbytery adjourned to meet at 8-30 p.m.

8-30 P.M. Presbytery met & was called to order by the Rev. Dr. Chas. A. Campbell. Rev. R.B. Grinnan led in prayer.

Present Revs. Chas. A. Campbell, R.F. Campbell, R.B. Grinnan and elders J.V. Brown & E.E. Quinlan.

Call. The call for the meeting was read & found in order & is as follows:- The constitutional requirements having been complied with, Asheville Presbytery is hereby called to meet in the First Church, Asheville

Walter A. Cain N.C. at 3 p.m. Sept 10th 1906 to receive & the Mr. Walter A. Cain as a candidate for the gospel ministry, if the way be clear. Signed Chas. A. Campbell Mod.

Mr. Walter A. Cain presented himself as a candidate for the Gospel ministry to be taken under the care of Presbytery.

Rev. R.F. Campbell recommended Mr. Cain as a suitable candidate, stating that he was a deacon in the First Presb. Church of Asheville. After due examination on experimental religion and motives for seeking the

1906 Ministry Mr. Cain was received by unanimous vote.

The stated clerk was ordered to send a certificate to this effect to the President of Union Theo. Seminary at Richmond Va. Minutes read & approved.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. R.B. Grinnan.

Signed R.B. Grinnan
Stated Clerk.

Moderator

Called Meeting.

Hendersonville N.C. Sept. 24, 1906

Asheville Presbytery met in Hendersonville Presbyterian church at 8 p.m. (owing to delay in train) and was called to order by the last Moderator present Rev. R.P. Smith. Rev. R.S. Eskridge led in prayer

Present Revs. R.F. Campbell, R.S. Eskridge, R.P. Smith, R.B. Grinnan J.C. Hardin, A.H. Perryman. Elders M.J. Orr & D.M. Killian.

The following call was read and found in order.

All the requirements having been complied with, I hereby call Asheville Presbytery to meet in the Hendersonville Presby. church on Sept. 24th, 1906 at 6 p.m. to attend to the following business:

To consider and act upon a request to change the time & place of the regular fall meeting of Presbytery

Ou Signed Chas. A. Campbell Mod.

1906 On motion it was decided to change the place of meeting to Hendersonville N.C., the time to remain the same. The reason given for the change being the absence of a pastor at Mills River and the unfinished condition of the church at that place. Adjourned with prayer by Rev. J.C. Hardin.

Signed R.B. Grimm
Stated Clerk

Moderator.

1906 Twenty First Session.

Hendersonville N.C. Sept. 24, 1906

Asheville Presbytery met in its twenty first regular session Monday Sept 24th 1906 at 8-30 p.m. in the Presbyterian church at Hendersonville N.C., & was opened with a sermon by the Rev. Dr. Chas. A. Campbell retiring moderator, on Gal. 6:14.

After the sermon the Presbytery was called to order by the moderator and constituted with prayer by Rev. R.S. Eskridge.

The roll was called and the following were recorded as present

Present Ministers. Revs. R.F. Campbell D.D. R.P. Smith, R.S. Eskridge, R.B. Grimm D.D. J.C. Hardin, V.H. Starbuck (2) A.N. Perryman, Chas. A. Campbell.

Elders. R.B. Fakes, First Church Asheville; C.M. Brittain (2) Mills River; Dr. H.H. Cason, Hendersonville; D.M. Killian Waynesville; W.E. Deaver Davidson's River; M.J. Orr Brevard.

Mod. Rev. J.C. Hardin was elected moderator and Rev R.S. Eskridge temporary clerk.

Hours The committee on devotional exercises reported on the hours of business: A.M. 9 to 12-30; P.M. 2-30 to 5, & to adjournment at night. Adopted.

Wednesday at 11 o'clock a.m. was appointed for

time for the doctrinal sermon.
Tuesday at 11 o'clock a.m. was appointed the time for the Lord's Supper. Rev. J.C. Hardin to preach the sermon.

Rev. J.L. McLin — Rev. J.L. McLin of Enoree Presbytery being present was asked to sit as corresponding member.

Rev. F.D. Rood — Rev. F.D. Rood of the Congregational Association of Fla. was invited to sit as visiting brother.
Tuesday at 4 p.m. was appointed as time to hear the trial sermon of Mr. W.P. Chedester and Wednesday at 4 p.m. was appointed as time for hearing trial sermon of Mr. F.M. Eversole
Adjourned with prayer by the Moderator

Second Day.

Wednesday. Hendersonville N.C. Sept. 25, 1906
Presbytery was opened with devotional services by the Rev. A.N. Perryman.
Minutes of the last stated meeting & called meetings were read. Minutes of the first day of this session were read & approved.
A Petition from Crabtree & Pigeon Gap for the organization of churches were received & referred to the Committee on Bills & Overtures

W.H. Davis — After due examination the Rev. Wm. H. Davis was received from Mecklenburg Presbytery & enrolled.

Calls — For Mr. W.P. Chedester from Broward and for Rev Wm. H. Davis from Davidson's River were received and placed in the hands of the committee on Bills & Overtures

Committees — The moderator appointed the following standing committees:
Bills & Overtures. Rev R.P. Smith & Dr. H. H. Carson
Minutes of Genl. Assembly:. Rev. Chas. A. Campbell & W.J. Orr.
Leave of Absence:- Rev A.N. Perryman & W.F. Beaver.
Examinations:- Rev R.F. Campbell & D.M. Killian
Auditing:- Rev. V.H. Starbuck & Dr. R.B. Fakes.

J.E. Allen — Candidate Thos. E. Allen requested by letter that his name be removed from the roll as a candidate for the Ministry, owing to failing eye-sight. Granted.
The constitution of the Women's Missionary Union of Asheville Presbytery was submitted for approval. Referred to the committee on Foreign Missions.

F.M. Eversole — Candidate Finlay M. Eversole was received from Abingdon Presbytery.

Hazelwood — The committee appointed to organize a church at Hazelwood reported that for good reasons the organization had been delayed and asked to be continued. Granted.

R.B. Grimm — The report of Rev. R.B. Grimm, commissioner

Genl Assly. — to the General Assembly at Denver with S.C.

was received and approved. The Hendersonville church was commended for paying her expenses.

S.S. Inst. The committee on Sabbath School Institute reported that no S.S. Institute could be held on account of the change of place of the meeting of Presbytery. The excuse was accepted & the committee continued.

Mountfort. A petition for the organization of a church at Mountfort was read & referred to the committee on Bills & Overtures.

J.C. Hardin After a recess of 15 minutes, the Rev. J.C. Hardin preached a sermon from II Cor. 13:14, after which the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was

Lord's Supper administered by the Rev. R.P. Campbell & Rev. A.M. Pennyman, assisted by elders M.J. Orr, D.M. Killian, Wm. E. Deaver & H.H. Carson.

After Noon Session.

Presbytery was called to order by the Mod. erator at 2-30 p.m.

The Committee on Colored Evangelization

Col. Evang. made a report which was received & approved.

Bible Cause The committee on Bible Cause made a report which was received as information.

V.H. Starbuck Rev. V.H. Starbuck was granted a letter of dismission to the Presbytery of West Lexington.

Rev. V.H. Starbuck requested a deliverance on the question of a church censuring a person upon circumstantial evidence. Referred to Com. on Bills & Overtures.

Nominations The committee on nominations made the following report: Committee on Ministerial Education & Relief:- Rev. W.H. Davis.

Com. on Assembly's Home & School:- Rev. Wm. H. Davis.

Com. on Church & Christian Education:- Rev. A.M. Pennyman.

Com. on Sabbath & Family Religion:- Rev. R.P. Smith & elders D.M. Killian & Jas. F. Johnston.

Com. on Orphan's Home: Rev. R.S. Eskridge.

Com. on Assembly's Home Missions:- Rev. C.A. Campbell.

Com. on examinations:- Arts & Sciences: Rev. Chas. A. Campbell. Ecclesiastical History & Church Government, Rev. R.P. Smith and Rev. Wm. H. Davis.

Doct. Serm. Doctrinal Sermon:- Rev. C.A. Campbell. Subject Inspiration of the Scriptures. Adopted.

The committee on Bills & Overtures recommended that the requests for organization of churches at Crabtree,

Pigeon Gap & Pigeon Gap and Mountfort be placed in the hands of

Crabtree. commissions with power to act if the way be clear. The report was adopted & the following commissions were appointed:

Crabtree & Pigeon Gap:- Revs. R.P. Smith, J.C. Hardin & Chas. A. Campbell and elders D.M. Killian & W.S. Zerrell. Times left to discretion of commission.

Moderat. For Moderat.: Revs R. F Campbell, R P Smith & R. S. Eskridge and elders J. D. Murphy & S. W. Davidson.

J B. Boone Rev. J. B. Boone of the Baptist Church was introduced as a visiting brother.

Excused Committee on Leave of Absence reported reported having excused the Rev. V. H. Starbuck & elders R. B. Faber.

Rev. R. F Campbell offered a paper touching the

Art. of Agreemt Articles of Agreement, which was placed in the hands of the committee on Genl. Assembly's Minutes

W. P. Chedester The order of the day having arrived, Presbytery heard the trial sermon of Mr. W. P. Chedester on Rom. 4:4-5. The sermon was sustained as part of trial. Recess until 8 p.m.

Evening Session 8 p.m.

In accordance with the standing rule a popular

Home Missions meeting was held in the interest of Home Missions Dr. R. F Campbell, chairman of the committee presided and interesting addresses were made by Rev R. S. Eskridge & Rev. A. H. Perryman & Rev R. P. Smith. The collection amounted to $11.02 Adjourned with prayer until 9 a.m. to morrow.

Sept 26, 1906 Third Day Morning Session 9 a.m.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. D. M. Killian after which the moderator called Presbytery to order. Minutes of the previous day were read & approved. A communication was read from Miss

Nisbane of Greensboro W.C. concerning the treatment

Prisoners & Poor Houses. of prisoners in jails and the inmates of the county Poor Houses. Upon motion of Rev. R. F. Campbell Presbytery expressed its sympathy with the movement for helping these unfortunate ones & recommended that the subject be taken up in Ministerial Unions wherever they exist & urged the ministers to take advantage of every opportunity offered of giving assistance where needed.

Ass. Minutes Dr. C. A. Campbell committee on Assembly's Minutes made a report calling attention of Presbytery to the Assembly's deliverance on Sabbath & Family Religion, Marriage & Divorce and the American Bible Society Work. which was received for information.

Articles of Agreement. The paper touching the Articles of Agreement offered by Dr. R. F Campbell was recommended for adoption. Presbytery by a rising and unanimous vote recommended the adoption of the paper which is as follows:

1st The Presbytery of Asheville approves the Articles of Agreement adopted by the Conference of the Reformed Churches of America holding the Presbyterian System, in session at Charlotte March 14th 16th 1906.

2nd The Presbytery of Asheville regards the Articles of Agreement as the very lowest terms that should bind together the Reformed Churches in America holding the Presbyterian System, and expresses the hope that the Churches concerned will advance from Articles of Agreement to a plan of Federation embodying the spirit of a true and vital union with such constitutional restrictions and safeguards as may most effectively conserve the individual rights & distinctive principles of the respective churches as co-ordinate & co-equal members of the Federation.

The Stated Clerk of the Presbytery is hereby instructed to forward to the General Assembly this minute together with the approval of the Presbytery of the Articles of Agreement.

Examination — The examination of candidates F. M. Eversole & W.P. Chedester on Church History & Church Government was conducted by Rev. R.P. Smith, Chairman, & others and and was sustained as part of trial.

The examination of these candidates on Theology was conducted by Rev. R.F. Campbell. At 11.30 this examination was suspended

Sod. Serm. — for the order of the day and Presbytery heard the doctrinal sermon preached by Rev. V.H. Slaubaugh on Lev. 17:11., subject, The Atonement. Recess. 10.2.30 p.m.

Third Day.

After noon — Thursday - Sept 20th 1906. 2.30 p.m.

Examination — The committee of examination on Language reported favorably on the Latin Theses & Greek Exegesis and Popular Lectures of candidates F.M. Eversole & W.P. Chedester. The examination was sustained as part of trial.

Reports to Synod — The reports on statistics and systematic Benevolence were read and adopted and ordered to be sent to the Synod of North Carolina.

Rev. R.S. Crinnan offered the following overture to the Synod of N.C. which was adopted & is as follows:

Overture to Synod. — The Presbytery of Asheville overtures the Synod of North Carolina meeting in Statesville N.C. Oct. 23rd 1906 to arrange the blanks for reports on the Benevolent causes so that they may be filled out from the statistical reports prepared for the Genl. Assembly at the spring meeting of Presbytery.

The Presbytery endorsed the invitation of

the Hendersonville Church for the next meeting of Synod in 1907.

Committee on Education — The committee on Education read the report of the Trustees of Davidson College, which was received as information.

" The committee on Foreign Missions reported.

Com. on For. Miss. — (1) The organization a Women's Missionary Union for Asheville Presbytery in connection with which ten new Missionary Societies had been organized.

(2) The approval of the constitution of the Women's Missionary Union. The report was approved with the suggestion that the word "Board" be changed to Committee in the constitution of the Miss. Union.

" The stated clerk was ordered to convey to these societies Presbytery's appreciation of the work accomplished.

Exam. — The examination of candidates W.P. Chedester & F.M. Eversole on Theology & the Sacraments was continued and sustained as part of trial.

The committee on Arts & Sciences reported favorably on the examinations of the candidates on these subjects. Sustained.

Swannanoa Church cited — By motion it was decided that when Presbytery adjourn, it adjourn to meet in Asheville First Church, on Tuesday Oct. 2nd at 3 p.m. and that the Swannanoa Church be cited to appear & show cause why the pastoral relations between said church & the Rev. R. S. Eskridge be not dissolved, as requested by the Rev. R. S. Eskridge.

Com. on Bills & Ovs. — The committee on Bills & Overtures reported the call from Davidson's River Church for the services of Rev. W. H. Davis was found in order. Presbytery ordered the call to be placed in the hands of Mr. Davis and he signified his willingness to accept the same.

The committee on Bills & Overtures reported the call from Brevard church for the services of Mr. W.P. Chedester was not found in order. Presbytery ordered the call to be returned to the church for correction.

The com. on Bills & Overtures recommended that the following answer be made to the question of Rev. V.H. Starbuck concerning the censure of a church member

on purely circumstantial evidence. Such censure should not, in a general way be made, but it should depend upon the strength & character of the evidence.

Adopted Next Meet. Presbytery decided to meet at Manchester in the next regular stated meeting in the Spring.

Leave of Abs. The committee on Leave of Absence made the following report which was approved: Excused from further attendance upon Presbytery, Rev. R. F. Campbell, elders M. J. Orr, G. M. Brillain, W. E. Deaver, R. B. Forbes. Excused for tardiness elder G. M. Brillain.

F. M. Eversole The trial sermon of Mr. F. M. Eversole on Gal. 2:20 was heard & sustained as part of trial.

Exam. as a whole The examinations of both candidates F. M. Eversole & W. P. Chedester was sustained as a whole.

Ordination F. M. Eversole On motion Presbytery proceeded to license & ordain Mr. F. M. Eversole as an evangelist, by the laying on the hands of the Presbytery. Dr. Chas. A. Campbell delivered the charge. The following commissions were appointed. For the installation of Rev. W. H. Davis at

Commissions for Brewster & Davidson's Bire. Davidsons River: Rev. R. S. Eskridge to preside, preach and propound the questions; Rev. J. C. Hardin, to charge the people; Rev. R. B. Grimm to charge the pastor; elders D. M. Killian & W. E. Deaver, alternates, M. J. Orr & H. H. Carson. For the ordination and installation of Mr. W. P. Chedester at Brewster if the way be clear, Rev. R. B. Grimm preside, preach & propound the questions; Rev. R. S. Eskridge to charge the pastor; Rev. J. C. Hardin to charge the people; Rev. Wm. H. Davis alternate for any, elders D. M. Killian, W. E. Deaver; alternates M. J. Orr & H. H. Carson. Time first Sabbath in Oct. 1906. Recess until 8 p. m.

Evening session. Third Day 8 p. m.

Jubilee Presbytery met & engaged in a Jubilee service congratulating & rejoicing with the Hendersonville church in the occupancy of their comfortable & land some new house of worship. Rev. R. P. Smith presided & addresses were made by the following persons: Revs. C. H. Campbell, R. S. Eskridge, W. P. Chedester, J. C. Hardin, F. M. Eversole, W. H. Davis, A. R. Lane of the Baptist Church and Dr.

Pastor of the Methodist Church. Rev R.B. Grimm spoke in reply in behalf of the congregation.

C.C. Brown — Upon the request of the Rev. C.C. Brown and of the church at Mills River, the pastoral relations between Mr. Brown & said church were dissolved. Mr. Brown was granted permission to labor within the bounds of the Presbytery until the next stated meeting in the Spring.

A hearty & unanimous vote of thanks was tendered the pastor and members of the Hendersonville church and the people of the community for their kind hospitality.

The minutes of the sessions were read & approved.

Attest

Signed R.B. Grimm
Stated Clerk

Moderator.

Adjourned Meeting. Asheville N.C.
Tuesday Oct 2nd 1906

Asheville Presbytery met in an adjourned session at 3.30 p.m. in the First Presbyterian church of Asheville. The meeting was called to order by the Rev. R.P. Smith, the last moderator present. Opened with prayer

Present — Revs. Dr. R.F. Campbell, R.P. Smith, R.S. Eskridge, F.M. Eversole and elders R.B. Fakes and Rev J.C. Hardin.

W.P. Chedester — A call from the Brevard church for the services of Mr. W.P. Chedester was read and being found in order was placed in his hands. Mr. Chedester signified his willingness to accept the call. Therefore Presbytery ordered the commission already appointed to proceed with his ordination and installation

F.M. Eversole — Rev. F.M. Eversole was elected a member of the Home Mission Committee

Moderator of next meeting. — Rev. A.M. Pennyman was nominated as moderator for the next stated meeting with Rev. R.F. Campbell as alternate.

Minutes read & approved.

Adjourned with prayer to meet in First church Asheville N.C. Thursday Oct. 4th 12 M.

Temp. Clerk
R.P. Smith

R.B. Grimm Stated Clerk

Adjourned Meeting. Asheville N.C. Oct 4th 1906.

Asheville Presbytery met in regular adjourned session in the First Church, in Asheville N.C. at 12.55 p.m.

The meeting was opened with prayer & called to order by the Rev. R. P. Smith, the last moderator present.

Present Revs. R. F. Campbell, R.P. Smith, R.S. Eskridge and F.M. Eversole. Elders S.W. Davidson and R.B. Fakes.

R.S. Eskridge resignation The resignation of the Rev. R.S. Eskridge as pastor of the Swannanoa church was considered. This church having in regular congregational meeting voted to unite with their pastor in the request to Presbytery for a dissolution of the pastoral relation. The request was granted.

Presbytery requested Rev. R.P. Smith to visit the church and preach and also to consult as to the filling of the pulpit.

The time for the next stated meeting at Thomasville was fixed for Tuesday before the full moon in April 1907 at 7-30 p.m.

Presbytery adjourned to meet at Statesville N.C. during session of Synod at call of moderator

Adjourned with prayer.

R.B. Grimes stated clerk. Temporary clerk

Moderator

Adjourned Meeting Statesville N.C. Oct. 25th 1906

Asheville Presbytery met in regular adjourned session in the First Presbyterian church, Statesville N.C. during meeting of Synod at 2-30 p.m. and was called to order by the Rev. R.B. Grimes, last moderator present. The Rev R.F. Campbell led in prayer.

Present Revs. R.B. Grimes, R.P. Smith, R.F. Campbell, W.H. Davis, A.N. Penyman & W.P. Chedester & Elder E.E. Swinson.

Rev. W.S. Nelson of Concord Presbytery was invited to sit as corresponding member.

Rev. A.N. Penyman presented his resignation as pastor of the Bryson City church. No representative from this church being present and having received no communication therefrom, Presbytery summoned the church thro its representatives, to appear at an adjourned meeting to be held at Bryson City N.C. Tuesday Nov. 13th at 8 p.m. to show cause if there be any, why the resignation of the Rev. A.N. Penyman should not be accepted.

Rev. W.S. Nelson spoke in behalf of the church at Marion N.C. to which Mr. Penyman had been called and urged the Presbytery

to grant Mr. Perryman's request.
At the request of Mr. J. L. de Witt a letter of dismission from the Hillsboro Church to the Franklin Church was granted him.
The minutes were read & approved
Presbytery closed with prayer by Rev. R.P. Smith
Temporary clerk
Attest R.B. Grimm
R.B. Grimm Stated clerk. Moderator

Adjourned Meeting. Bryson City N.C.
Nov. 13th 1906.

Asheville Presbytery, pursuant to adjournment, met at Bryson City N.C. at 2.15 p.m., the earliest possible after arrival of the train & was called to order by the Rev C.A. Campbell, the last moderator present and was opened with prayer by the Rev. R.P. Smith. The Rev R.F. Campbell was appointed temporary clerk.

Present Revs. R.F. Campbell, R.P. Smith, C.A. Campbell A.M. Perryman & elders D.M. Killian & A.M. Fry.

Request for the dissolution of the pastoral relation between Rev. A.M. Perryman and the

Bryson City church was presented.
The church having through its representative, elder A.M. Fry, signified its reluctant agreement to the dissolution of the pastoral relationship, the request of Mr. Perryman was granted and he was given a letter of dismission to Concord Presbytery.
Minutes read & approved.
Adjourned with prayer by Mr. D.M. Killian
Temporary Clerk
Moderator

Attest.
R.B. Grimm Stated clerk.